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CHINA TO KEEP ON FIGHTING

Generalissimo Reaffirms Govt's Determination CALLS FOR SOLIDARITY

Nanking, December 27.
President Chiang Kai-shek today reaffirmed the Government's determination to carry on the war against the Communists with complete thoroughness and to the very end.

Arrival Of Coins Reported

Eight hundred cases of nickel 10-cent and five-cent coins have arrived in the Colony from England, according to unconfirmed reports yesterday.

Marshal Li Discounts Peace Talks

Marshal Li Chai-sum yesterday dashed cold water upon peace feelers by the new Chinese Premier, Dr. Sun Fo.

At the same time he disclosed that Dr. Sun had sent an emissary to Hong Kong to sound him out on peace talks with the Communists.

"There is no basis for any peace talks between the Nationalists and the Communists as equal parties," Marshal Li said in an interview with the United Press.

He said he had advised Dr. Sun's emissary that the present Chinese Government must first show its sincerity by concrete actions, such as halting the civil war, releasing political prisoners, abolishing repressive laws and regulations, preserving industrial and commercial enterprises in order to facilitate taking-over by the Communists, and in general working for the downfall of Chiang Kai-shek.

Marshal Li, who is considered the nominal leader of anti-Chiang dissidents in Hong Kong, said that if Dr. Sun is unable to do this he should leave Nanking and declare his opposition to the Generalissimo.

"This might help him escape classification as a war criminal," he declared.

PCC Conference

Chinese democratic groups would consider such actions a contribution to a coalition government, Marshal Li continued, and some figures from the present Chinese Government might even be invited to attend the Political Consultative Conference to be held this spring.

Chiang's former Chief of Staff said the preliminary stages of the conference already are concluded, and the full dress conference would be held somewhere in Communist-occupied China, probably Peiping. All shades of political opinion would be represented, including the Communists, Marshal Li said he is planning to attend.

In the meantime, he declared, Communist armies would continue to drive southward across the Yangtze, as far as Kwangtung and Kwangsi.

In a message addressed to the Speakers of the Provincial and City Councils of six North China provinces, President Chiang urged solidarity and unity among the North China people to assist the Government in its task of Communist suppression and national salvation.

He said: "The Central Authorities are determined to carry on the policy of suppression of the Communist rebellion with complete thoroughness and to the very end."

The resolve of the Nanking Government to continue the anti-Communist war was also voiced by the Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister, Dr. Wu Tzu-shen, when he declared today that the Government was mobilising all available manpower and material resources to strengthen its war fronts in all areas.

"The Government is fighting an ideological war against the Communists and for the protection of the constitution, democracy and liberty," Dr. Wu said in an interview with the official Central Daily News.

Foreign Minister, Dr. Wu dismissed the possibility of a change in China's foreign policy and implied that China was still hopeful of getting United States assistance through a greater effort towards self-help.

Dr. Wu said the Government authorities were presently deliberating on policies to be adopted by Dr. Sun Fo's Cabinet and asserted that the Government will direct its efforts mainly towards the mobilisation of the manpower and resources of the nation for the defence of the Yangtze Valley and also to strengthen the war fronts in North China and elsewhere.

Speaking of the outlook of the war situation, Dr. Wu said: "Real peace in China is possible only if the Communists can awaken themselves to the people's welfare and the nation's interests."

Meanwhile, in a special decree issued today, ordered selective censorship by the security authorities in localities not placed under martial law.

Mail and press censorship in martial law regions will be conducted according to the provisions contained in the martial law decree.

The censorship measures announced today will be taken at the discretion of the local authorities and become effective immediately and will cover mail and press matters contributable to the causing of a leakage of the military secrets disturbing market conditions and creating rumours intended to upset the social order.

At a general meeting, the Association decided to reduce the taxi-drivers' demand for a HK\$8 daily wage to HK\$7 a day, but insisted that all drivers must be reinstated.

The Association also passed a resolution demanding that the taxi companies pay compensation to the drivers for the unemployment period.

Yesterday being a holiday, responsible officials of the taxi-cab companies could not be contacted for their reaction to the latest developments on the part of the drivers.

Meanwhile, sympathy for the 600 drivers, 70 of whom were involved in the Star Taxi Company's strike and the rest retrained because of their go-slow sympathy strike, has spread in some quarters during the past week.

Several labour unions held meetings during the week to organise financial aid campaigns for the unemployed drivers.

The unions include the Engineers' Association, Hong Kong Seamen's Union, Carpenters Union, the Hong Kong Foreign Domestic Servants' Association, the Hong Kong Rubber Industry Workers' Union, Postal Workers' Union, Lithograph Printers' Union, the Hong Kong Printers' Association, the Metal Workers' Union, and the Textile Workers' Union.

The Motorcar Drivers' Association also decided to intensify its publicity and financial campaigns on behalf of the unemployed taxi drivers. Operas have been planned to raise funds.

At a recent meeting of the Foreign Domestic Servants' Association, speakers condemned the employers for disregarding public safety by employing new, inexperienced drivers.

They also accused the Labour Office of not making any serious attempt to have the dispute settled.

The present dispute between the taxi-drivers and their employers broke out on September 22 when 70 drivers of the Star Taxi Company walked out following refusal by the companies to increase the daily wage of a driver from HK\$5 to HK\$8.

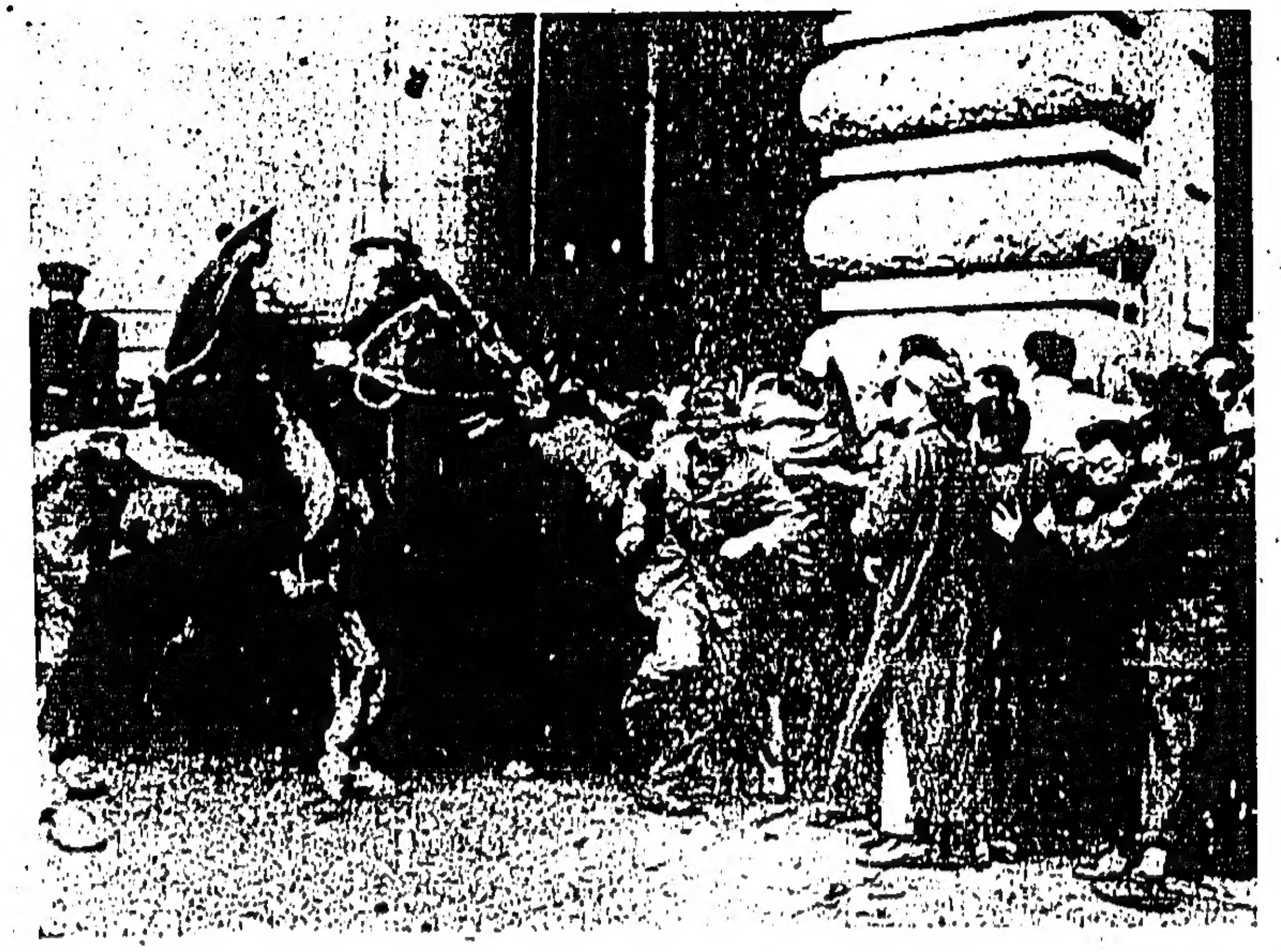
Two days later, the other taxi companies withdrew their vehicles from the road after warning their drivers to halt their "go-slow" sympathy strike. The drivers were retrained and the companies began to recruit new drivers.

Yesterday, there were only about 130 regular taxi-cabs operating in the Colony—80 on the Island and 50 on the mainland. Before the dispute, the companies had 600 taxi-cabs operating on the roads of the Colony.

With sympathy for the unemployed drivers spreading to other labour organisations in the Colony, there is talk among some unions about taking the issue to the two Federations of Labour.

These unions said that as the Hong Kong Employers' Federation is supporting the taxi-cab companies, there is no reason why the two Labour Federations in the Colony should not come out to support the drivers.

Police In Action At Shanghai Bank



Chinese Mounted police use their horses to disperse crowds that stampeded the banks in Shanghai on December 23. Many were injured by club-swinging police officers who drove their horses into the mobs. Seven were officially reported killed.—AP Photo.

Dutch Claim Further Gains In Indonesia

Batavia, December 27.
The Dutch claimed further gains today against the Indonesians in Java and Sumatra.

A Netherlands Army communiqué said mopping up operations are being carried out around Soerakarta and Magelang in Java.

The report also said two Dutch fighter planes had gone down as a result of an accident over central Java. No casualties were mentioned.

The Dutch said they have recaptured Laboehan and Mones in West Java, Plosoh in East Java and Fort Van Der Capellen, Sumatra. A military spokesman in the Hague said the Republican Army is fleeing into the mountains and preparing for guerrilla activity. He declared the Republican forces lacked leadership, food supplies and popular support.

The Dutch Embassy in Paris said yesterday the Netherlands forces had suffered 19 killed and 43 wounded since their police action started.

The UN Good Offices Committee informed the Security Council Sunday it would try to observe and report on observance of the cease-fire order issued by the council in Paris on Friday.

The Committee explained, however, that it apparently would be responsible for its observers to distinguish clearly between internal security measures taken by Netherlands forces and hostilities between Dutch and Republican units.—Associated Press.

Observers Blame Jews For Fighting

Paris, December 27.
The United Nations Palestine observers accused Israel of breaking the Holy Land truce by attacking Egyptian forces in the Negev desert.

The charges were contained in a lengthy report to the UN Security Council under the signature of Mr. Ralph J. Bunche, acting UN mediator in Palestine.

The report, up for discussion by the Council today, supported Egyptian complaints that Israeli forces reopened hostilities in violation of the Council's truce order.

Mr. Bunche declared "I have no knowledge of any incidents which could be claimed as provocation for the fighting in the Negev."

The battle of the Southern Negev desert meanwhile, is continuing without a pause while some skirmishing had broken out between the Arabs and Jews on the Central front North East of Tel Aviv, reports indicated today.—Associated Press and United Press.

Large Amount Of Jewellery Aboard CNAC Skymaster

Jewellery, valued at several million Hong Kong dollars, was carried by passengers on the CNAC Skymaster which crashed on Basalt Island on Tuesday, the "China Mail" learned yesterday. A relative of one woman who lost her life in the crash told the "China Mail" that she had three small boxes full of jewellery which she was bringing to Hong Kong for safety.

Chinese Press reports said that a number of valuable diamonds were recovered from the hillside by the police after the crash.

Two bodies of victims of the Basalt Island plane crash in which 23 passengers, including Mr. Quentin Roosevelt, CNAC Vice-President, and the seven crew were killed, are still missing.

Thirty-two bodies were brought back and kept in the Kowloon mortuary on Thursday night. There, people, flown down from Shanghai by a special CNAC plane, identified their relatives.

One more body was recovered on Sunday.

The company reported yesterday that another search party of police and CNAC officials will visit Basalt Island today to continue the search for the missing bodies.

World Labour Group To Be Aired In London

Washington, December 27.
A new world labour federation is to be discussed at a meeting in London next month.

The meeting will be between the British Trade Union group and the American Congress of Industrial Organisations.

Spurred by the Soviet fight against Western European rearmament they will discuss a new world federation.

The British and the CIO were charter members, along with the Russian Trade Union Organisation, in forming the World Federation of Trade Unions. WFTU policies have been disrupted by the clash between Russia and the Western democracies.

There has been marked shift in opinion among AFL leaders in the past year which might lead to joint participation of the two big American federations, if circumstances suit.

The AFL has invited the same British trade union chiefs to a conference beginning January 31 at Miami, Florida. The AFL's executive council meets there at that time.

Both AFL and CIO moves were dictated by their recent national conventions.

These significant steps come at a time when the role of labour

Crop Of Christmas Mishaps Reported From Global Points

London, December 27.
The Christmas holiday period produced its usual crop of tragedies. From various parts of the world come reports of events which marred, for some, the festive season.

In the United States, tragic Christmas holiday fires took a heavy toll of children's lives.

At least 28 children were burned to death, chiefly in fires at home, and more lost their lives in the rising number of traffic accidents.

Throughout the United States 375 persons have been killed since Christmas Eve. The toll includes 235 traffic deaths, 92 deaths in fires and 78 from other accidents.

One tragedy was recorded in the small town of Berlin, Vermont, where three little girls were burned to death when fire swept their home while their parents were away. Their bodies were found in the ashes.

Reports from other parts of the world:—

Black Xmas
Shanghai: More than 40 frozen corpses were picked up in the streets as the first cold wave hit the city. Minimum temperature was 35.2 Fahrenheit.

Australia: Nine bathers were drowned, and a shark killed a life guard in one of Sydney's blackest records of Christmas accidents for many years. The shark attacked the life guard who was shepherding swimmers from the water.

In Adelaide, people in the hills around the city had their homes flooded after a cloudburst on Christmas Eve. The rivers rose quickly, giving many houses no chance to move their belongings. Ten miles of roads and a bridge were washed away, and crops damaged.

Holland: Twelve adults and children trying to extinguish the flaming beard of Father Christmas at a children's home in Amsterdam were badly burned. Father Christmas had leaned over a candle at a sick boy's bedside.

Cell Suicide
France: Elderly Jean Schlipon Roche, charged with attempting to undermine the morals of a young girl, committed suicide in his cell by stuffing his nose with peas saved from his Christmas meal.

At Ennsdorf, near Saarbrücken, 20 miners were killed in a damming coal pit. The men were trapped when the pit was walled in to prevent the fire spreading.

Danmark: Three were killed and five severely injured when a store of gunpowder used for making Christmas and New Year fireworks exploded.

COLD LONDON
London, December 27.
Britain had its coldest day of the year today. Temperatures sank to 28 Fahrenheit in London and 10 in Mildenhall, North of London.—Associated Press.

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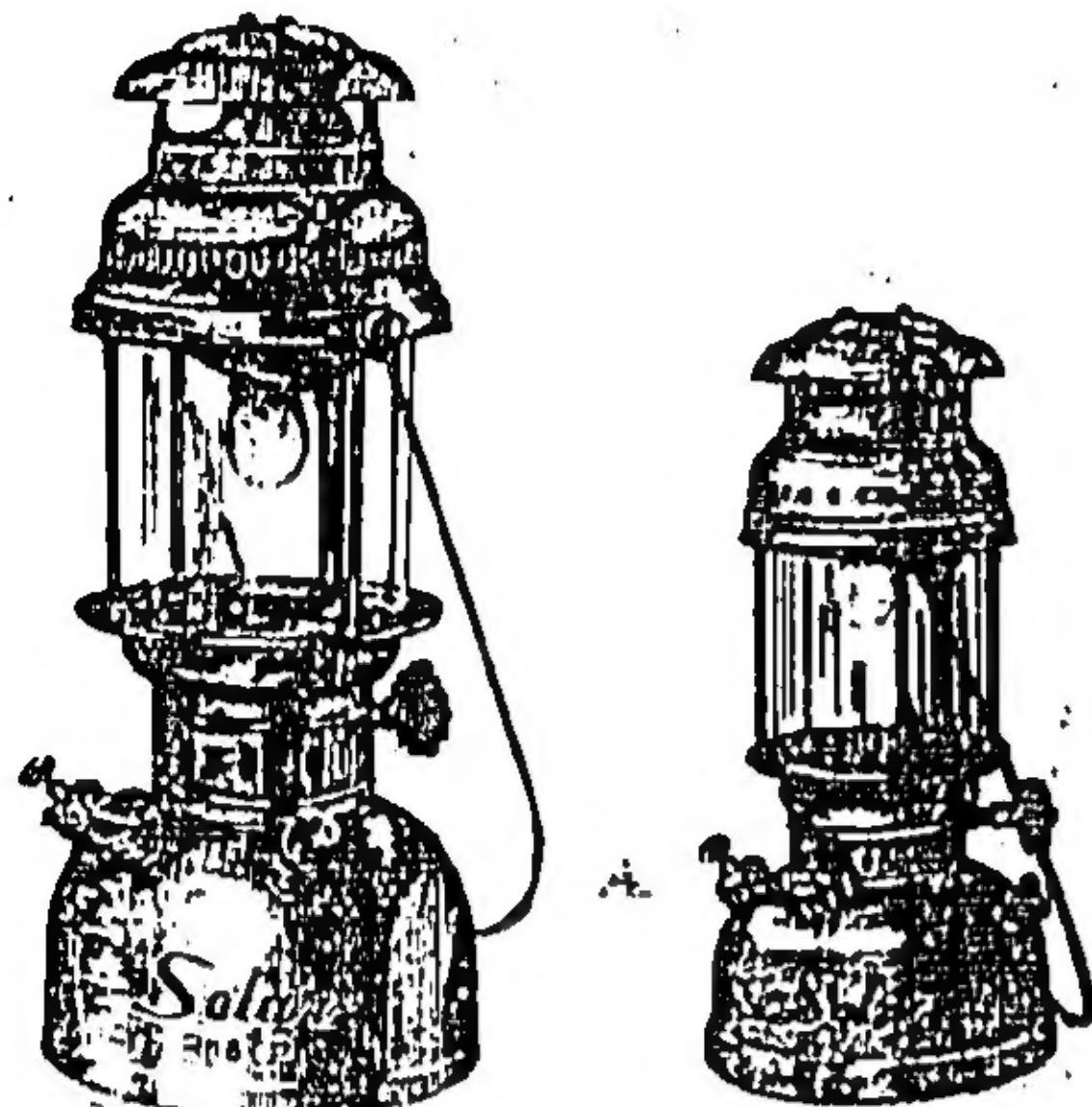
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PORTUGUESE EVACUEES ARE NOT REFUGEES

Portuguese nationals leaving Shanghai, expected to arrive in Hong Kong early in January on route to Macao, are not refugees, Dr. Eduardo Brazao, Hong Kong Portuguese Consul, stated yesterday.

Their departure from the troubled Chinese metropolis is voluntary and all of them have relatives in the Portuguese colony. There are not many of them, Dr. Brazao said, and most are women and children.

No official arrangements have been made here for the transshipment to Macao of the arrivals. They have to make their own preparations.

There are about 2,000 Portuguese nationals in Shanghai. The Portuguese Consul there made arrangements with the Philippine Consul to provide space for Portuguese in the same LST which is bringing Filipino

evacuees to the Philippines via Hong Kong. About 300 steerage passages have been made available to the Portuguese, who have to pay their own fares, ranging from US\$35 to US\$40 each, to Hong Kong only.

To assist their community regarding departure from North China, the Portuguese Residents Association of Shanghai has circulated a questionnaire among its members requesting whether they wish to avail themselves of the opportunity of leaving by the LST taking away the Filipino refugees; will evacuate only in an emergency and when ordered by the Portuguese authorities, or will refuse to evacuate.

Plane Trip Arranged

The PRA has also indicated that arrangements can be made for leaving Shanghai by plane direct to Macao. Twenty-four passengers will be carried on each trip in a specially chartered plane and the fare will be US\$125 per person.

Meanwhile, between 200 and 250 Filipinos in Shanghai, mostly women, children and older men, are arriving here very soon en route to Manila, where they will be taken care of by several social welfare organizations.

The LST 843 will be the last ship to evacuate Filipinos under the sponsorship of the Philippine Government. It was learned that many Spaniards had requested passage on the vessel for the Philippines. On their arrival here, the evacuees are permitted to land if they possess documents identifying them as refugees. They have to return to their vessel, however, by nightfall.

Personalia

There was a gathering of more than a hundred in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. d'Almada Remedios on Boxing Day for the occasion of their 25th Wedding Anniversary.

Among the guests were the Hon. Leo d'Almada and Mrs. d'Almada, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Busto, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Busto, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. L. Soares, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Chen, Mr. Peter Vines, Mr. A. S. C. Corber, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. d'Almada Remedios, Mr. and Mrs. F. X. d'Almada Remedios, Mr. Marcus da Silva, Mr. Carlinho da Silva, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Basso, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Yvanovich, Mr. Christiansen, and Mrs. L. Noronha-Remedios, who was Mr. Remedios' teacher in preparatory school.

Sub-Inspector S. H. Downman, who has been in the New Territories (Tsun Wan, Lok Ma Chau and Shatin) for the past 30 months, has been transferred to Yuenai. He is relieved at Shatin by Sub-Inspector Jones.

Two unidentified women were hurled alive when a landslide occurred at Lanchikok at 4 p.m. yesterday.

The scene of tragedy was at a place called Kau Pa Kan at the Northernmost end of Lanchikok. The women were believed to be country people.

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Wedding At St. Joseph's



Xmas Night Free-For-All

"This is the usual Christmas celebration," remarked Mr. W. H. Latimer when four soldiers and a seaman came before the Court at Kowloon yesterday on the charge of disorderly conduct. It was a free-for-all at the Queen's Restaurant, Nathan Road, on Christmas night, said Inspector J. Orem. The police arrived on the scene and took Private G. A. Ford, Lance Corporal W. J. Lucas, Gerard Pearce, Leslie James Buckell and Ken Fleet, seaman of 55 Lake Road into custody. Ken Fleet was still going strong at the Charge Room and nearly started another brawl. All pleaded guilty except Lucas, who was remanded for three days in military custody. The three soldiers were fined \$25 each, and Fleet \$50.

Weddings

At St. Theresa's Church on Sunday Miss Hazel Adelaide Scott, daughter of Mrs. S. M. Scott was married to Flight Lieutenant Noel Andrew John Griffin, son of Mr. William Griffin and the late Mrs. Griffin, of Belfast, Northern Ireland.

The Reverend Father P. Fitz-Gerald officiated. The bride was given away by her step-father Mr. S. M. Gillee. She wore a gown of satin embellished with cut on full lines with a train, and carried a bouquet of white gladioli.

The matron-of-honour was Mrs. K. H. F. Letford, who wore a gown of pale turquoise crepe draped lines and carried a bouquet of pink gladioli. Flight Lieutenant K. H. F. Letford was best man. A reception was held at the RAF Mess, Kai Tak.

Leaving for Macao for the honeymoon, the bride wore a dress of coral coloured wool crepe with black accessories.

At St. John's Cathedral yesterday, Miss Ada Mary Beatrice Morion was married to Mr. Hans E. Waeney, the Reverend G. Stevenson officiating.

Miss Kotewall Weds Dr. Choa

Miss Maisie Nora Kotewall, daughter of Sir Robert Kotewall and the late Lady Kotewall, was married to Dr. George Choa, son of Mrs. Choa Po-sien and the late Mr. Choa, at St. Joseph's Church yesterday.

The marriage ceremony was conducted by Mgr. Valtorta, Catholic Bishop of Hong Kong.

Given away by her father, the bride wore a charming gown of chiffon velvet, cut on Empire lines with a long train and half veil. Her bouquet was of white gladioli. Wearing a frock of pale blue tulle and carrying a bouquet of pink gladioli, Miss Patsy Kotewall attended her sister as bridesmaid.

Miss Elizabeth Zimmermann and Master Ronald Zimmermann were the flower girl and page boy, respectively.

Mr. Leo Choa, the bridegroom's brother, was the best man.

The bridegroom belongs to a well known Chinese family. When his studies were interrupted by the Japanese attack on Hong Kong in 1941, he left for the interior of China to continue medical studies at a Chinese university.

He returned to Hong Kong after liberation and resumed studies at the Hong Kong University. He graduated a year ago.

Many local personalities attended the reception held at the Hong Kong Hotel.

Among those who attended the wedding at the Church and the reception were Dr. and Mrs. Allwright, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Andrews, Dr. and Mrs. F. R. Ashton, Mr. and Mrs. K. M. A. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Crutwell, Major H. Chauvin, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. C. Cuthbert, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Carle, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Leo d'Almada, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. K. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. E. Himsworth, Professor Gordon King, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Latimer, Mr. D. M. MacDougall, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McDouall, Mr. and Mrs. Q. A. A. MacFadyen, Mr. and Mrs. A. Morse, Mr. and Mrs. N. O. C. Marsh, Dr. H. Meyer, Professor H. Robertson, Professor and Mrs. Redmond, the Reverend Fr. Ryan, Professor and Mrs. F. E. Stock, Professor and Mrs. R. K. M. Simpson, Mr. W. L. B. Sparrow, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Todd, Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Yang, the Right Reverend Bishop Hall, Bishop Valtorta, Mr. T. B. Wilson, and Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Gosano.

Danger Of War Lies In Curtained Minds Of Soviet Officials

New York, December 27.

The danger of war lies in the curtained minds of a handful of Soviet officials. They may not realise that any grab for Western Europe would bring immediate atomic and decisive American action.

This is the conclusion of Mr. William Bradford Huie, student of air power of the United States Air Force. Writing in today's issue of the Reader Digest, Huie asserted: In wisdom as well as humanity the United States should warn the Russian rulers that we now have enough improved atomic weapons to immobilise Russia; that we can deliver these weapons in sufficient quantity to kill or maim in the first raids a staggering proportion of the people in Russia's key cities; that targets have been selected and that this terrible retaliation will come if Russia attacks us or another free nation.

Mr. Huie declared United States bombers could deliver atomic loads upon any city in Russia within a few hours of the issuance of orders.

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The Danger

Mr. Huie said danger lay in the possibility that Soviet officials may rely too strongly on enormous ground armies while measuring the extent of American retaliation by the small number of Allied troops in Europe.

"These facts are published in the hope of averting aggression based on misunderstanding. The aggressors in World War I and II were misinformed as to American capabilities and intentions. The Russian rulers must be convinced that if they grab for Western Europe American reaction will be immediate, atomic and decisive."

Mr. Huie is a free lance writer and author of books including "The Fight for Air Power" and "Served Two Years in the American Navy in World War II besides visiting all the fronts as a war correspondent.—United Press

YOUTH ADMITS HE'S "ON A JOB"

Possession of razor knife and a torch cost Ho Hung-po, a 19-year-old youth, three months' liberty when he was charged before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday with possession of instruments fit for an unlawful purpose. Sub-Inspector J. H. Evans said accused was stopped by PC 927 at Anchor Street, near Oak Street, at 4.35 a.m. on December 28. When searched, the knife and torch were found on him. Questioned by the constable, the youth frankly admitted that he was on his way to "a job."

Incredible Story Of Philanthropy

When a 17-year-old youth was questioned by two detectives as to where he obtained the six pairs of rubber shoes which he sold to another 17-year-old boy, he told the police an incredible story of philanthropy, or sheer foolishness, according to Sub-Inspector J. H. Evans.

The second youth was seen at 4.30 p.m. on Christmas Day by two Chinese detectives at Tam Kung Road near Sung Wong Tai Hill selling six pairs of rubber shoes at 80 cents a pair.

Knowing the price of such footwear the two detectives wanted further information as to how the seller could sell his goods at such a very low price.

The boy told them that he got the shoes from another youth who lived somewhere in Nga Tsin Wai Road. The three of them went to that street and picked up the first youth.

This noodle-selling youth told the detectives that he got the shoes from a man who was unknown to him. This man went to his stall and ate \$2.60 worth of noodles. Being unable to pay for what he had eaten, the man, according to the youth, gave him a pawn-ticket.

When he brought the ticket to the Tam Kung Pawnshop, he found that it was for six pairs of rubber shoes and that it would cost him \$12.30 to redeem them. He paid the money and sold the shoes to the second youth for 50 cents each.

His story was not believed by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr, before whom he and his companion were charged with unlawful possession, yesterday. They were both ordered to receive six strokes of the cane each, the court deciding to treat them as juveniles.

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Ghost Ship Arrives In Colony

The ocean-going tug *Ser* *Thak* towed into Hong Kong yesterday afternoon a "ghost" ship and a disabled sister tug, *Ser* *Lynx*, which she rescued when the vessel had engine trouble about 190 miles from the Colony.

The *Ser* *Lynx* was towing a disabled tug from Shanghai for the Hong Kong Shipping Company when about 100 miles from Hong Kong a few days ago she radioed to Shanghai that her engine had gone out of order. The *Ser* *Thak* was dispatched to tow her into the Colony.

The "ghost" of the old tug, which arrived here without passengers, crew or fuel, is still undecided, the company reported. She may be reconverted or put on the market.

The tug, owned by the Board of Waterways Transport, Shanghai, which is being towed to Hong Kong, is a 1,000-ton tug, built in 1914, and is the only tug of its kind in the colony.

Both tugs are due to depart for the North Sea on Monday.

Squatter Huts Saved From Serious Fire

The prompt arrival of the Fire Brigade, under Deputy Chief Officer C. W. Brand and Divisional Officer R. H. J. Brooks, saved the squatter colony at Third Street from total destruction.

This fire, which was one of the worst which broke out during the Christmas holidays, was of such a nature as to necessitate the attendance of four appliances from Central and the Western districts.

Starting at the rear of a hut situated at the back of 77 Third Street, the blaze soon had a strong grip on the adjacent structure and, although the first appliances arrived within a few minutes, the alarm being raised, gutted 20 of the 60 or 70 huts in the area before it was brought under control at 2 a.m.

Another serious fire broke out in the rear portion of 33 Battery Street, Yau-mat, at 3.20 a.m., yesterday, and destroyed the stock of wooden toys on the premises.

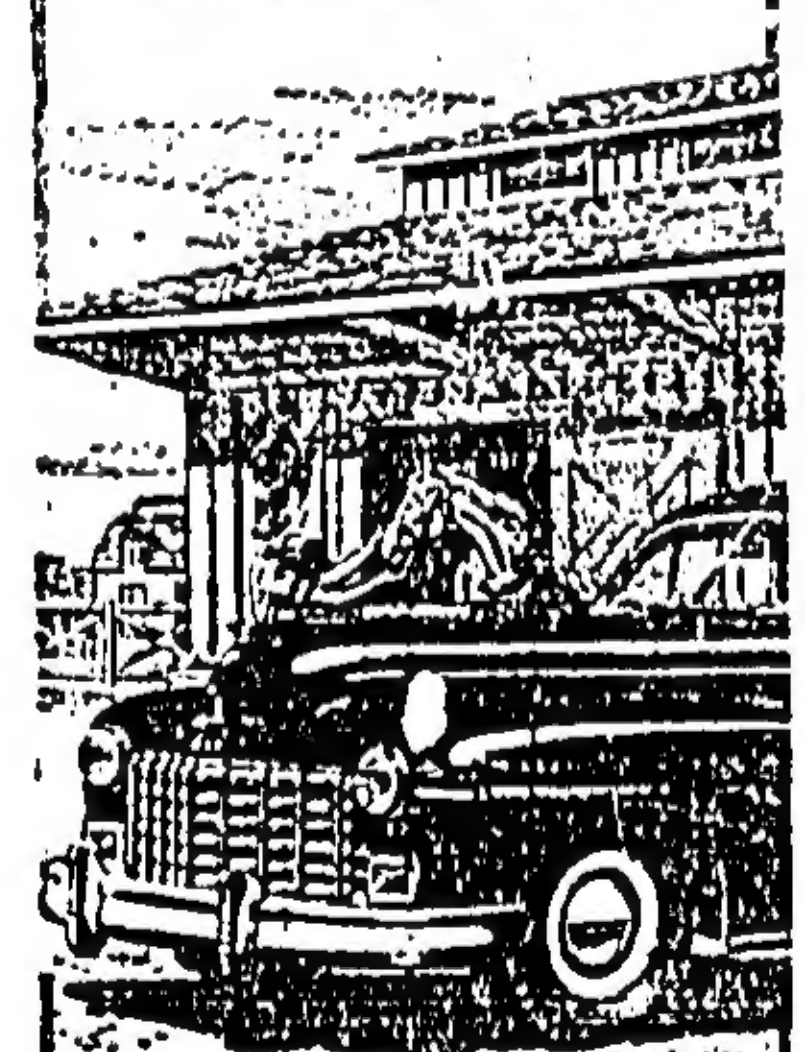
Mr. P. A. L. Vire made a successful submission when he defended Ho Tak, aged 40, unemployed, before Mr. Him-shing Lo at Central.

Defendant who was charged with stealing HK\$100 on May 13, 1947 from Chan Muk-yun was discharged yesterday.

The Norwegian steamer *Davlen* brought 355 Chinese deck passengers from Swatow yesterday.

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Little Credit

Sir,—For their buffoonery the United Nations Security Council takes some beating. And, if ever the citizens of the various nations of the world needed proof that the United Nations' organization is about as effective as the late Mr. Chamberlain's umbrella in preserving peace and welding justice among the powers, then they must have seen it in the results of the debate on Indonesia just concluded in Paris.

With a flourish of trumpets the United States, Colombia and Syria introduced a draft resolution which, among other points, demands a cease-fire in Indonesia, a withdrawal of troops (meaning Dutch troops) to the positions they occupied during the status quo period and a demand for the release of the various Indonesian Republican leaders seized by Dutch airborne troops at Jakarta. And a more just resolution was rarely framed within the framework in the United Nations organization.

But what happens? After making the resolution paragraph by paragraph, and after rejecting a similar (and quite just) Soviet resolution on the same lines, the Security Council suddenly gets cold feet (very cold feet) and merely deletes all reference in the resolution to a withdrawal of Dutch troops to the former demarcation line—and, worse still, refuses to apportion the blame for the present bloodshed in Indonesia.

All of which is good loss for the Dutch. Here they were as "Britain" called them in his letter a few days ago, a fifth-rate power—a fifth-rate power guilty of one of the most flagrant breaches of a truce ever seen in world history—supported by a world organization supposed to wield justice among the nations. What a ludicrous and scandalous state of affairs.

Now the Dutch, thanks to the action (rather inaction) of the Security Council may throw out their chests with impunity and get on with the work of slaughtering more and more Indonesians who are bold enough to state that, after all, Indonesia is the native home of Indonesia and that the Dutch and the British were in Burma and in India, are interfering with the rights of the Indonesians whose only connection with the territory is an economic one—certainly not a paternal one.

And thanks to the support of two other fifth-rate powers, France and Belgium, both of whom have colonial empires over which to wield the sword, Holland looks like settling the whole Far East ablaze in an outbreak of resentment among Asiatic peoples.

The Dutch broke the truce and their excuses were hypocritical. By using the truce period and the negotiations with the Indonesians as a screen, they laid their military plans and acted when those plans were ripe. I am convinced that never at any time did the Dutch intend to seek an agreement with Dr. Soekarno and his Republican ministers. As members of the United Nations, they should have known that, to take up arms, is not the way to settle a dispute within the framework of that organization. True enough, everybody else does it, but that does not make black white. By the sheer act of aggression, they have placed themselves fairly and squarely in the wrong and the Security Council should have been brave enough to tell them so.

This is the biggest blow that the United Nations have experienced so far. They have meddled in Greece and in Palestine—and done precisely nothing to end bloodshed in those two areas. They have failed to solve the so-called Berlin crisis. Just as the League of Nations was before the second world war, the United Nations have become the battlefield for two ideologies—communism and capitalism. And behind all the squabbling and bickering of the recent General Assembly in Paris, there has emerged one salient fact—that the United Nations are just as impotent as their predecessor.

Another Briton

The United Nations' members have outlasted aggression. Were the Indonesians aggressors in their own land? And they became, I would like to wager, that the Security Council would have branded them with that mark in pretty short time. But when vast economic interests are at stake—like there is in Java and Sumatra—then justice takes a back seat.

All of which gives the Soviet Union another trump card to play when the time comes. And it certainly gives the United Nations little credit for fair-play and justice.

Typical Attitude

Sir,—May I add my voice to your protest over the behaviour of Mr. A. J. R. Moss, the Director of the Glaxo Division, in connection with the presence of journalists at the scene of the crash of the CNAC plane last week.

This attitude is typical of that adopted by many government officials (who are, after all, public servants) in this Colony and it is time that they realised that Hong Kong is not a secret society run for the benefit of a few. When things happen, such as the plane crash, the public has a right to read the news in its daily newspapers and the journalists employed by those newspapers or the agencies supplying them with news, have just as much right to visit the scene of the crash as Mr. Moss himself.

Mr. Moss himself, however, would not be tolerated by the National Union of Journalists and Mr. Moss, or his counterpart there, would soon find himself in hot water. Unfortunately, we have no union here or any other newspaper association to protect the rights of journalists and such things are allowed to continue. But enough publicity has been given to the case in your editorial in *Lo* Mr. Moss know that he is in a bad way.

And while we are about it, why should the Legislative Council meetings be held in camera? In Britain every parish council meeting is open to the press, and so it should be here where the people are not only without voice in the Colony's affairs but are denied access, through the medium of the press, to those assemblies where their money is being spent and where their rights are being discussed.

Too long has the administration of this Colony kept its dictatorial powers. The time has arrived when democracy is to be introduced and the Council should replace the totalitarianism of the present.

And then, we take it, Mr. Moss would resume his role of public servant.

NEWSMAN

Writing On The Wall

Sir,—It was not a happy Christmas—for many of us, at least—in Hong Kong. How could it be a happy festival in a British colony where only fifty "happies" and plenty of ill-treatment of the kind of happiness which one usually associates with the anniversary of the birth of Him, whose teachings we are supposed to follow—rarely do?

Hong Kong was bright enough. All the trappings were there to deceive the eye—but not the heart. Behind those corridors of glittering lights, back of the laughter of the crowds, not far from the surface of holiday-like veneer, there was enough stark misery to illustrate what selfish hypocrites we are.

It was not all joy in this colony this year—not by a long chalk. I know of one unhappy man, who had a heavy heart behind the smiles he wore for the benefit of his three children.

This man—a Briton—fought for the Colony during the war. On Christmas Eve he was trudging from friend to friend to borrow money—not to spend on presents for the kids or some good Christmas cheer to warm the cockles of the heart, but to pay a landlord a sum of over \$1,000 for a month's stay in one of our local hotels.

That was his Christmas. But, with true fortitude (the kind that he had displayed in a Japanese prisoner of war camp) he kept the news away from his wife and family. Their Christmas was not spoilt. And that was only one case.

Another Briton, also known to me, spent most of the day on December 27 looking for an apartment for his family and himself. Hotel charges were eating his salary away. He had to find accommodation. But he didn't.

For one place he was asked \$20,000 "tea" money. For another \$14,000. And, for a basement hotel (not far from Central Police Station) \$3,000. This is Hong Kong! While there may have been merry sounds in the Leight 1111 area on Christmas Eve, there was little laughter in this man's hotel room that evening.

Another friend of mine—a Shanghai Chinese—spent quite a merry Christmas. Five days ago he arrived in the Colony. He was not short of cash—mill-owner's money. He bought a house for his wife and himself and his ten servants from Shanghai. True enough, it cost him \$500,000 but at least he's got a home here to stay in until the situation in China warms up. His returning to the paternal mansion he's left in the hands of a few more servants there.

It is hard to be quite a merry Christmas, too, for the thousands of Shanghai-dialect speaking Chinese I saw on Christmas Eve. I saw them in the streets, in the shops, in the houses, in the hotels. But I suppose it's all good for trade—even if it doesn't help the 10th resident, the Chinese resident, the Portuguese resident, and many others who have spent most of their lives here, to make both ends meet.

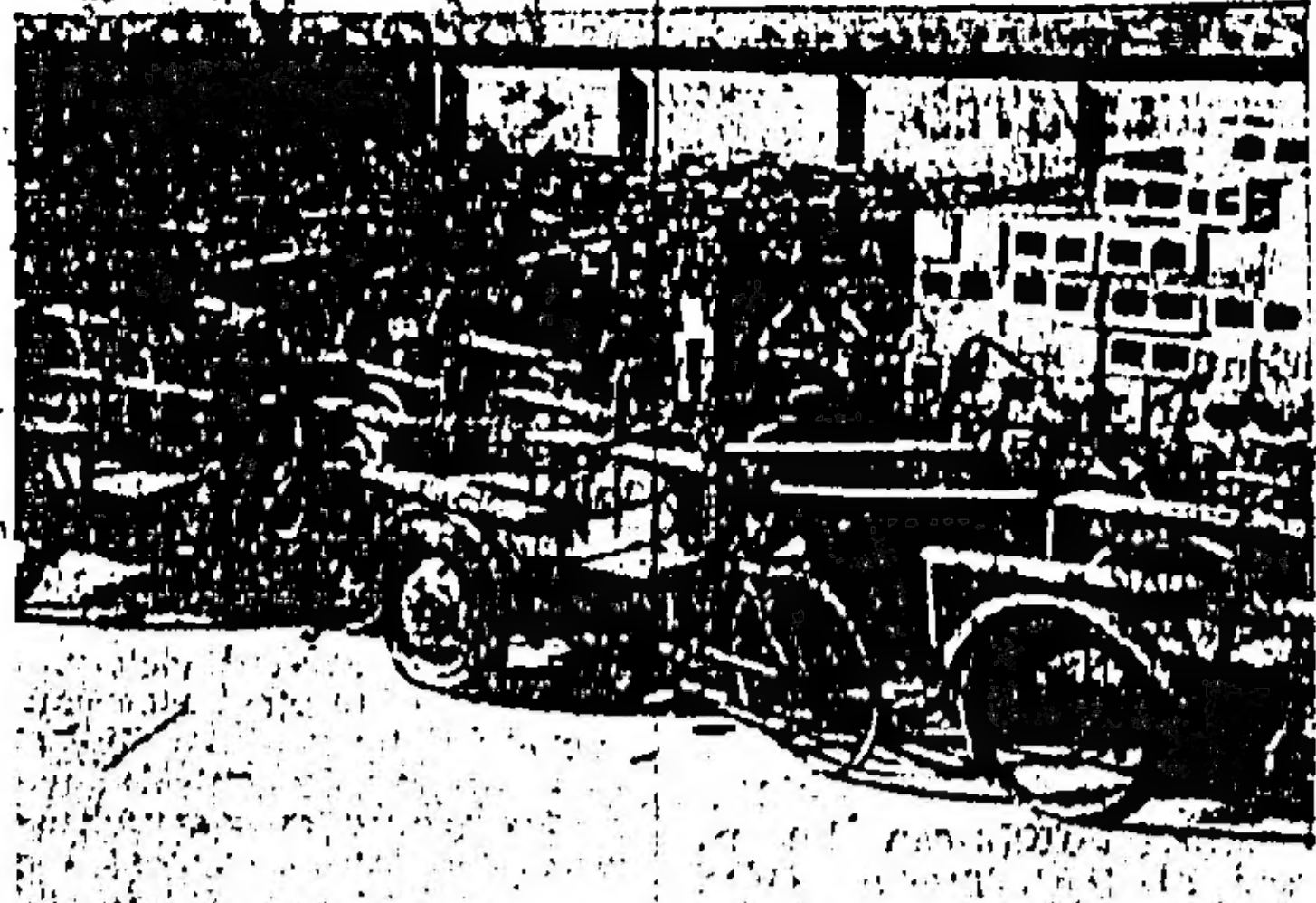
A nice Christmas box to most hotel residents would have been an announcement of a drop in hotel charges for those of us, who are forced (we certainly don't want to) pay much to much our "each month" for exactly nothing! But no! Five months after a committee was appointed to investigate the situation for some announcement, the "Sunday Express" calls Hong Kong a "bastion of security." I suppose it is—if you have money!

I wish some of us could have changed places with some of our government officials on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Celebrations in a hotel room, with a couple of beds on which to seat your guests, are not conducive to merry-making. Nor is sharing a bathroom with the rest of the floor likely to increase your pleasure. Or hotel food, for that matter. And you can't cook much of a Christmas dinner as a small electric stove, which you see us surreptitiously, can you?

Maybe the coming year will bring some overdue Christmas boxes in the shape of more houses—and maybe not! Or perhaps our powers that be will take but (yellow oxen in Shanghai) by the horns and do something to ease this nefarious "tea money" racket from our midst. While blatant collaborators—we know most of them pretty well—ride around in their cars, the average salaried man here—usually one who has fought to "save Democracy"—just keeps his head above the murky water that swirls around him.

Money is going to spend a lot. Money on a Defence Force, the idea of which has not exactly been joyously welcomed by the residents here. I don't know whether the government is surprised or not. They shouldn't be. How can you expect a flood of recruits when the men who will do the fighting in war ever comes again, are wasting the battle of themselves to keep body and soul together in a place where the "heroes" of the past are the puppets to the present?

This is Hong Kong—the "Heartless Hong Kong" of the present. Gagged by a non-representative ruling body in which public servants assume the roles of dictators, the average resident is, to say the least, fed up. If this is a sample of colonial rule, then it's time that our Socialist Govern-



Since the Government ban on tricycles carrying passengers at the end of last month, very few tricycles can be seen on the road.

Since the beginning of this month the police have seized all tricycles without licence. These are being kept behind the Government Fishery Market at Kennedy Town.

The tricycles are being held for the time being until the owners make a claim. It is understood

that it ownership can be proved the tricycles will be returned. A "China Mail" representative went to the scene where the tricycles are being kept and counted 200.

During the occupation of the Colony, the tricycle drivers did a roaring trade. After the liberation they were allowed to carry on their work due to the shortage of motor cars, trams and buses.

With the Colony's communications almost back to normal Government banned all tricycles carrying passengers.

No Holiday For Crime In Colony

Crime definitely did not take a holiday during the Christmas festival, for two armed robberies were reported from the New Territories on Christmas Day and several minor incidents from other districts.

The first was reported by a 20-year-old widow, Kwan Ying, of 16 Ki Tung Village, at 8 p.m., to the Shing Shui Police Station.

According to Kwan, four men, two armed with a Mauser each and one with a revolver, entered her house at 6.20 p.m. and took the five folk from the rear of the premises to another room where four other folk were.

The robbers then made the nine of the intruders kept guard over them, the other three ransacked the premises for three hours.

When the armed men left they took with them a quantity of clothing and Kwan's son, Chan Fui.

The Ho Tung Hospital, Sheung Shui, was the scene of the second armed robbery which was perpetrated by a number of men armed with revolvers at 9 p.m. on Christmas Day. No further details were available.

At 10 p.m. last night, six men armed with revolvers committed a robbery at Sek Tau Wai, Kam Tin, New Territories. No details were available.

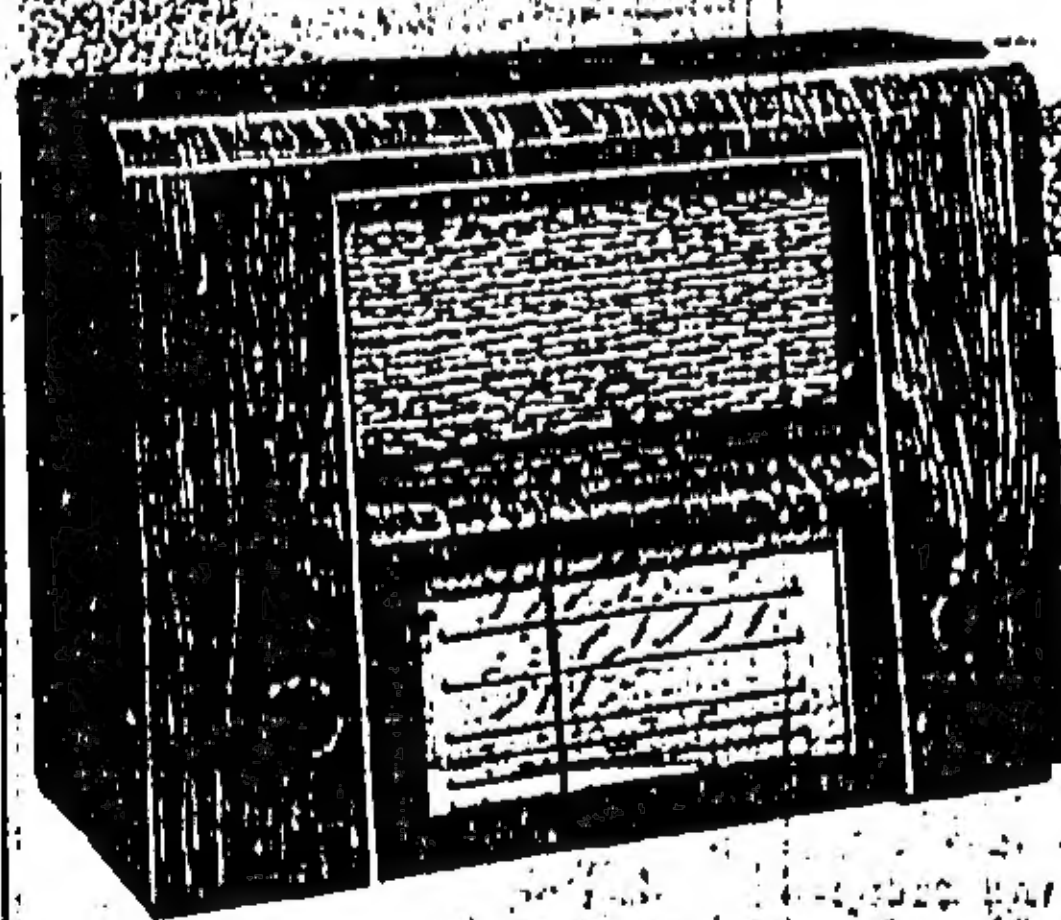
More than 2,000 tons of rice and general cargo arrived here from Bangkok via Swatow yesterday by the vessel *Mul Hoek*. There were 12 Chinese passengers.

ment in Britain stepped in and did a little investigating.

I earnestly believe that the writing is on the wall that, unless this Hong Kong Government gets down to some action which will alleviate the present chaos in so many phases, the rising tide of resentment will engulf them. Already that resentment is finding its way to Britain. And plenty a shouting will, at long last, arouse the interest that should have been displayed long ago by our rulers at home.

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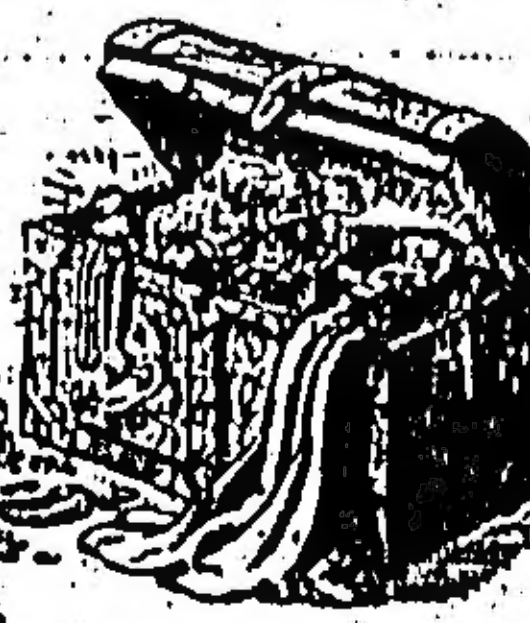


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The visitors won the basketball pennant, but the local Undergraduates clinched the badminton title by a clear-cut victory.

Lingnam emerged victorious at basketball by 28-21. The game was very evenly contested, except in the second quarter, when the visiting quillheads secured a good lead to clinch the decision. The local team proved its supremacy at badminton, winning by 9-0. The game for thrills was that between C. S. Fong and H. K. Mah (Lingnam) and C. K. Lee and S. K. Cheong (HKU), in which the latter, after being 15-13 down, made a remarkable recovery to win without conceding any more points.

Youthful H. T. Heng excelled with his well placed smashes and with the aid of his able partner, except for the encounter with Lingnam's pair, C. S. Fong and H. K. Mah.

In this game, the visitors, after being 20-9 down, made a desperate but fruitless rally, the final score being 21-17.

The results are as follows:— C. S. Fong and H. K. Mah (Lingnam) lost to C. K. Lee and S. K. Cheong (HKU) 18-21; lost to H. T. Heng and Y. C. Fong (HKU) 17-21; lost to N. K. Chin and M. T. Yew (HKU) 14-21. P. L. Chee and Jimmy Wong (Lingnam) lost to H. T. Heng and Y. C. Fong (HKU) 3-21; lost to N. K. Chin and M. T. Yew (HKU) 5-21. C. S. Fong and F. W. Kwong (Lingnam) lost to N. K. Chin and M. T. Yew (HKU) 15-21.

A high standard of badminton was displayed in the exhibition encounter between S. A. Vassar and C. K. Lee and K. S. Low and F. W. Kwong, all of HKU. The former pair ran out winners by 21-14.

Sporting Briefs

The "China Mail" has been reliably informed that Mr. C. Tunstall, who was in charge of the South China "A" and "B" Joseph's First Division soccer match at Caroline Hill on Sunday, December 19, has lodged a protest regarding last Thursday's meeting at the HKFA.

In a splendidly cricket-match at Cox's Road on Sunday, Kowloon Cricket Club beat Royal Navy by six wickets.

Scores: Royal Navy 134, R.E. Lee took three wickets for 37 runs, K.C.C. 101. (A. Zimmerman 42 and W. Davidson 57 retired).

A friendly soccer game between the Senior team of St. Joseph's College in the School Football League and a team from the Royal Air Force will be played on the St. Joseph's Ground at Happy Valley at 3.30 p.m. tomorrow.

The basketball match between St. Joseph's College and Lingnam University of Canton at Caroline Hill on Christmas Day resulted in a victory for St. Joseph's by 23-22.

Li Shun-sung, aged 30, picked the wrong victim when he attempted to pick a fountain pen from the pocket of P. C. 508 at Wing Lok Street. He was arrested and charged before Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at Central yesterday with attempted larceny, sentenced to three months' imprisonment and recommended for banishment. Inspector Moran prosecuted.

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There are 10 races each day (50 in all). The "Hong Kong Derby" is scheduled to be run on the third day, Tuesday, 18th January. Race No. 6 at 3.30 p.m.

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NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

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Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurers' Comptroller's Office and the Secretary's Office will close at 10 a.m. each day. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 each day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

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Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

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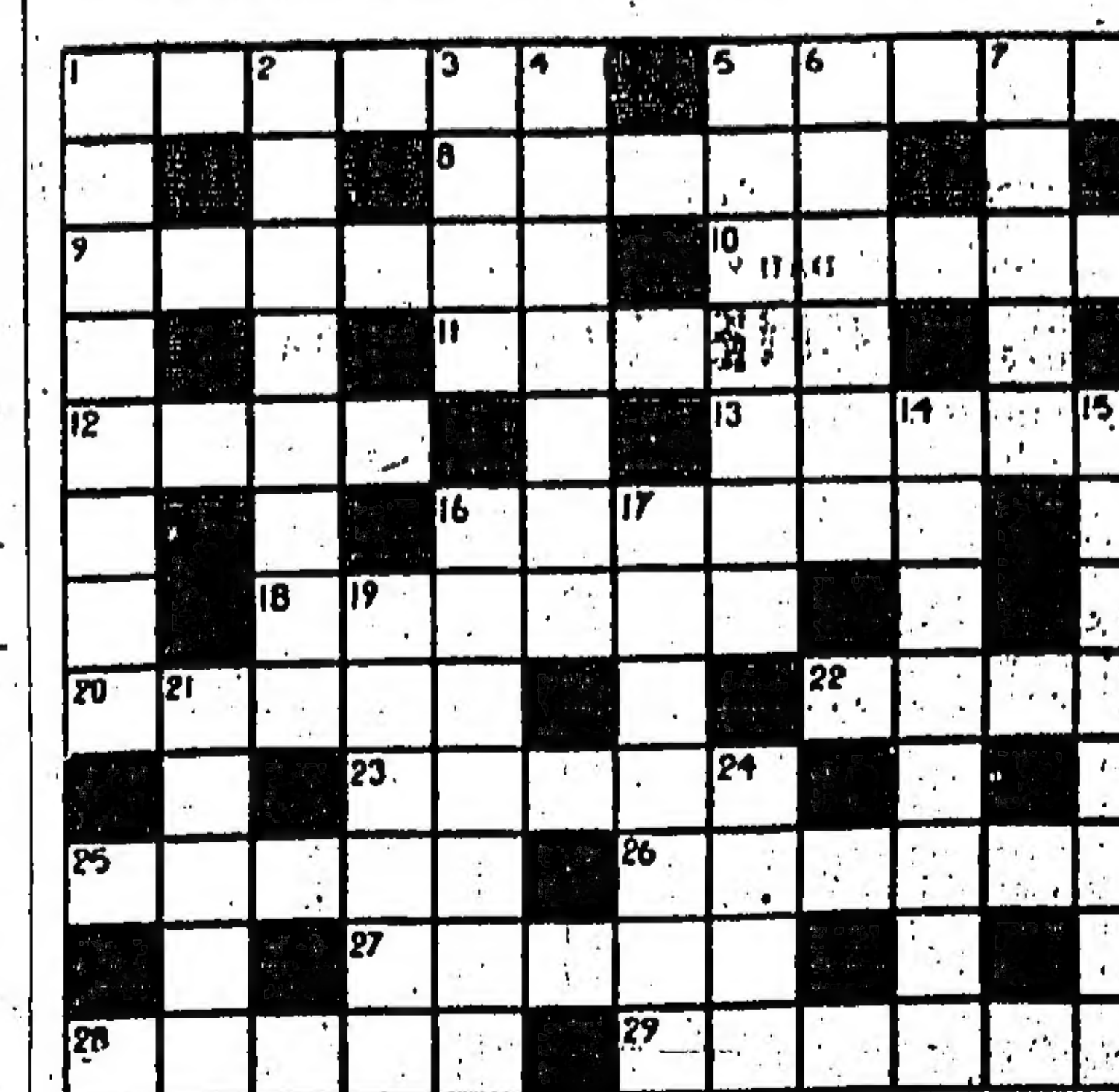
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3 S Pass 4 S Pass
4 NT Pass 6 S

Bidding given in the first sequence was about what developed at most tables of a tournament where the Blackwood convention was used. South learned that North had no aces, but North couldn't tell whether South had two aces or three. It was

South West North East
1. S Pass 3 D Pass
3 S Pass 4 S Pass
4 NT Pass 5 C Pass
5 S Pass (7)
2. 1 S Pass 3 D Pass
3 S Pass 4 S Pass
4 NT Pass 6 S

How should South play at his crazy 3-No Trumps if West leads the heart K, switches to the club J, and East plays the 7?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

- 1 Abscond.
- 2 Rev.
- 3 Equipped for battle.
- 4 Sensation.
- 5 Spiteful woman.
- 6 Slant.
- 7 Recess.
- 8 Efface.
- 9 Drew out.
- 10 Agree.
- 11 Conspicuous success.
- 12 Three-part composition.
- 13 Voice.
- 14 Mother-of-pearl.
- 15 Fish.
- 16 Poedil.
- 17 Censures.
- 18 Protect.

Down

- 1 Exact.
- 2 N.C.O.
- 3 Spoils.
- 4 Introduction.
- 5 Venerate.
- 6 Slick.
- 7 Surreco.
- 8 Delightful.
- 9 Praised.
- 10 Values highly.
- 11 Undressed.
- 12 Persian governor.
- 13 Infants.
- 14 Uncommon.

Saturday's Crossword

ACROSS:—1. Hamper, 5. Inane, 6. Mean, 9. Gossip, 11. Taste, 12. Serence, 14. List, 16. Salon, 18. Alter, 19. Barter, 21. Sire, 22. Dive, 23. Ogre.

DIPLOMAT'S ALL-NIGHT ORDEAL IN THE SNOW

Film Star Is 'So Nice'

Dublin, December 26. Guarded by a large staff with strict orders to protect her privacy, Miss Rita Hayworth, Hollywood screen star, spent Christmas as the guest of Prince Aly Khan at the Prince's Glilowen mansion at Kildare, County Kildare.

Glilowen, one of Ireland's finest estates, covers a 1,000 acres. The Prince's Kildare housekeeper, Mrs. Helen Smithwick, is charged by Miss Hayworth.

"She is so nice, I wish we had her here always. Herself and the Prince are perfectly happy though the Prince is very busy because of his horses," Mrs. Smithwick said.

Miss Hayworth saw 50 of Prince Aly Khan's thoroughbreds today and with the Prince had an early morning gallop in bright sunshine. Reuter.

Wiesbaden, December 27. An American airlift Skyway pilot tonight reported sighting "five or six" Russian aircraft in the Berlin-Frankfurt air corridor. He said he saw the planes about 55 kilometers from Tempelhof Airport, Berlin. Reuter.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

H.K.T.

12.15 p.m. - British Talk to Children. (Studio)

12.30 p.m. - Daily Programme Summary.

12.45 p.m. - Melodies from British Radio. (CHARTS)

1.00 p.m. - "Mr. Rogers for You" Song by Maurice Ross. (CHARTS)

1.15 p.m. - News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.25 p.m. - Orchestral Interlude.

1.30 p.m. - "From Foreign Lands."

1.40 p.m. - Music Down.

1.50 p.m. - Programme Summary.

2.00 p.m. - Children's Story. "Bitter Ash" by E. Lewis Clark. (CHARTS)

2.15 p.m. - Fifth Sound and her Orchestra.

2.30 p.m. - Continues by Radio given by Miss Lee Wei Lan & R.K. Lee. (Studio)

2.45 p.m. - Joe Danahy and his "Hot Shots."

3.00 p.m. - World and Home News. (London Relay)

3.15 p.m. - "See You" Talks on News. (Studio)

3.25 p.m. - Interlude.

3.30 p.m. - Stage and Screen Favourites by Allen Woods. (Studio)

3.40 p.m. - From the Editorials. (London Relay)

3.50 p.m. - University Programme, Agriculture No. 5: "Animal Production" by J.A. Hammond. (CHARTS)

4.00 p.m. - Continues by Radio given by Harry Orr. (Studio)

4.15 p.m. - A Story: "Petal Dust" Written and Read by Jack Shephard. (Studio)

4.30 p.m. - "20 Questions" The R.A.P. Team. Question Master: Peter Gregory. (Studio)

4.40 p.m. - Radio News Reel. (London Relay)

4.55 p.m. - Weather Report.

5.00 p.m. - Beethoven's Last Quartet... Grand Finale in B. Flat Major, Op. 131 played by Lester Miller Quartet. Introductory Talk by the Rev. Father T.P. Ryan, S.J. (Studio)

5.15 p.m. - "Nothing but Music" - Sidney Torch & Queens Hall Light Orchestra. (CHARTS)

5.30 p.m. - Weather Report and Close Down.

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WATCH FOR THE OPENING DATE!

Washington, December 26. The former Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, was found in a field near his palatial Oxon Hill, Maryland, estate early today.

He had suffered a heart attack and lain unconscious in the freezing cold all night. His hands and feet were frost-bitten, his face scratched and his clothing frozen to his body.

He had apparently fallen into a brook, then crawled out onto the bank where he collapsed.

Mr. Welles was found by a neighbour, Brooks Kerby, whose 10-year-old son spotted the noted ex-diplomat's body on the bank and his father drove home from church. Mr. Kerby summoned help and Mr. Welles, still unconscious, was taken to the casualty hospital in Washington and placed under an oxygen tent.

Doctors describe his condition as "serious" and said it might be necessary to amputate his toes.

His personal physician, who asked that his name remain undisclosed, said late today that Mr. Welles regained consciousness and complained repeatedly of a pain in his chest.

Cardiac and other tests were made to determine heart and general physical conditions. He is suffering severely from shock.

Still Serious

The physician said it might be days before it was decided whether an amputation was necessary. He added: "Mr. Welles has reacted somewhat to treatment, but his condition remains serious."

The doctor said he had been treating his 55-year-old patient for a heart condition during the last 18 years.

Mr. Kerby said Mr. Welles' clothes were frozen to his body. His face and hands were scratched and swollen as though he had charged himself through brambles.

Mr. Kerby said he tried to raise Mr. Welles, but failed. He then called a negro friend on his farm, but the two of them were still unable to get Mr. Welles to his feet.

Mr. Kerby then called two other neighbours and the four carried him to a tenant's house and summoned the police and the District Heights emergency rescue squad. The squad took Mr. Welles to hospital.

Mr. Welles' second wife, the former Mathilde Townsend, said she had attempted to carry a room adjoining his. Mr. Welles was last seen by his valet last night.

Went For Walk

He had been working on some papers and summoned the valet to tell him he could go to bed and that he (Welles) was going for a walk and would lock up the house on his return.

Mr. Welles was dressed in a very heavy, short-length overcoat when found, and that had probably saved him from death. The temperature early this morning ranged from 15 to 17 degrees above zero.

Servants at the Oxon Hill estate said Mr. Welles had been troubled by insomnia and lately had been taking walks each night in an effort to induce sleep. They also reported he had suffered a number of minor attacks

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Wonder Drug Off Licence

Washington, December 27. The Commerce Department today ended licensing requirements for the export of streptomycin, called the wonder drug to all countries except Europe and adjacent areas in the Mediterranean.

The reason is improved output by domestic producers.

The Department also announces the removal of requirements for licences to ship most softwood lumber to non-European countries, saying this is due to improved domestic supply and curtailed buying by foreign countries. Associated Press.

Colour Bar Hits At Diplomats

Washington, December 25.

The State Department is worried about the danger of the many dark skinned diplomats in Washington suffering serious indignity and embarrassment from the strict colour rules enforced in the capital.

Recently, the Minister of Ethiopia protested to the State Department against his being ejected from his box at a public ceremony because, so he thought, of the colour of his skin.

The State Department apologized and explained that the incident arose owing to a misunderstanding over seating tickets and not because of the colour of the Minister's skin.

But the strict rules enforced against the attendance of Negroes at theatres, cinemas, auditoriums and restaurants in Washington makes the Ethiopian Minister's original allegation quite feasible.

A study of the colour bar problem is contained in a report on segregation in Washington by a committee of civic leaders from all parts of the United States, which lists a number of case histories.

Ironically, the report claimed that the State Department itself is one of the worst examples of the United States Government actually discriminating against Negroes in the distribution of jobs.

Up to the beginning of the last war the State Department refused to employ coloured persons except as chauffeurs, messengers and janitors, the report said.

It quoted a State Department official as saying that these and similar factors are a continuous source of embarrassment and supply excellent material for anti-American propaganda to the Soviet Union and elsewhere.

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Clay Predicts A Long Peace Ahead

Berlin, December 27.

The American commander in Germany, General Lucius Clay, predicts that a long peace will follow the economic recovery of Western Europe.

General Clay said that in Germany recovery has been amazing, due primarily to Marshall Plan aid and currency reform.

"Conditions of stability, both economic and political, which make for a long peace, are returning to Europe," said the commander. "When freedom-loving democratic countries of Western Europe are on their feet economically and able to protect their freedom, then we may expect a long peace."

General Clay also predicted increased tonnages for the Berlin airlift. He pointed out that the two worst bad weather months, November and December, had been overcome by airlift flights without any noticeable falling off of stockpiles in the besieged city. "We now have 40 more C-54s available, with better weather prospects, and we should henceforth exceed the minimum, which means some coal for domestic heating and for industrial use."

General Clay said the German people had learned by suffering that they are better off under present hardships in Berlin than by accepting another totalitarian regime.

Still Logging

Good progress is being made towards the formation of a separate German constitutional State in Western Germany and a tripartite military government organisation to work hand in hand with it.

However, he warned: "I do not want to minimise the difficulties still ahead in reconciling the views of the three governments. I am sure we are making progress and that, with some give and take by all of us, we can develop a solution."

General Clay said German economic recovery had climbed 5 per cent in actuality since last June, compared with the percentage rise in 1936. Exports now exceed US\$700,000,000 annually from Western Germany, as compared with US\$200,000,000 a year ago.

He pointed out, however, that Germany still lagged behind her European neighbours in recovery. He called for further German industrial output to relieve the American taxpayer of supporting the nation.

The American commander also predicted a greatly improved standard of living for Western Germany during the coming year. —United Press.

CANADA RECOGNISES ISRAEL

Ottawa, December 27.

The Dominion of Canada today provisionally recognised Israel. Mr. Lester Pearson, Minister of External Affairs, said in a prepared statement that Israel "has given satisfactory proof that it complies with the essential conditions of Statehood."

He defined these essentials as: external independence and an effective internal government within a reasonably well defined territory.

Canada's decision to recognise the Israeli Government provisionally was made several days ago but notice of it was held until the other Commonwealth Governments could be informed.

Canada is the second Dominion to recognise Israel. South Africa recorded de facto recognition last May. Seventeen other nations have so far recognised Israel. —Reuter.

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DEATH

ASGER, Dr. Mohdy Edward.
Died suddenly on the 26th
December 1946. Funeral will
take place at 3.30 p.m. on
Tuesday 28th December 1946
at the Colonial Cemetery
Chapel.

EVEN A WORM

Despite the Christmas preoccupations and celebrations—or perhaps because of the latter—it was interesting to note during the past week the amount of talk around Hong Kong about the new Defence Force. This was the voice of the man—and his wife—expected to join the organisation, not the opinion of portly dignitaries or newspaper commentators.

Since the beginning of time, the ruling faction in any country has been able to depend on cannon fodder, either because of a traditional power compelling blind obedience and a punitive ability, or in later years by appeals to regional patriotism which succeeded even with the masses who had nothing to fight for except the right to find work when there was any. People's feelings are changing. They have to be convinced of a reason for risking their lives. Ask the average person in China if he cares who wins the civil war, provided peace comes, and in the hackneyed post-war phrase, he couldn't care less. And what are some of the comments in Hong Kong about joining up to defend the Colony?

The feeling is that it would be better if this were made into a place fit for heroes to live in before asking them to defend and if necessary to die for it. The authorities might—on once—look at it from the point of view of the ordinary person who has only a salary. You know, the small 90 per cent "minority" who don't have a large house or two Cadillacs and don't even know bank managers by their first name. They believe that something should be done to stop landlords from taking half a man's salary for a couple of rooms, and from keeping vacant blocks of flats until the expected stranger with the golden key appears. They haven't forgotten with what unseemly haste the hotel rates control was quashed, and how nothing has been heard since of the promised investigation into prices.

The wage earner wonders how prices of ordinary commodities can possibly be justified. Do shopkeepers, restaurant keepers etc. really have to make 300 per cent profit here to keep alive? If our public utilities and other monopolistic undertakings had their accounts carefully checked—by inspectors from Home—would they have to reduce rates and charges to a level more in keeping with their real capital invested instead of the inflated stock exchange values?

If, instead of building palaces for its own employees, or some of the favoured few, Government had used public funds—as Conservative, Liberal and Labour governments did in Britain—to erect reasonably priced homes for the people who do the actual work of the place, or even to provide a few public conveniences if one may speak of simple needs, would it not have warmed the people's heart?

If those who pay the taxes and do the colony's work had now been able to vote for their own government—after waiting a century for it—

THE FORTY-THIRD INSTALMENT

CRUSADE IN EUROPE

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's
Own Story Of The War
In Europe

on Utah Beach was probably hopeless, and this meant that the whole operation suddenly acquired a degree of risk, even foolhardiness, that presented a gigantic failure, possibly Allied defeat in Europe.

To protect him in case his advice was disregarded, I instructed the air commander to put his recommendations in a letter and informed him he would have my answer within a few hours. I took the problem to no one else. Professional advice and counsel could do no more.

I went to my tent alone and sat down to think. Over and over I reviewed each step, somewhat in the sequence set down here, but more thoroughly and exhaustively. I realised, of course, that if I deliberately disregarded the advice of my technical expert on the subject, and his predictions should prove accurate, then I would carry to my grave the unbearable burden of a conscience justly accusing me of the stupid, blind sacrifice of thousands of the flower of our youth. Outweighing any personal burden, however, was the possibility that if he were right the effect of the disaster would be far more than local: it would be likely to spread to the entire force.

Nevertheless, my review of the matter finally narrowed the critical points to these:

If I should cancel the airborne operation, then I had either to cancel the attack on Utah Beach or I would condemn the assault forces there to even greater probability of disaster than was predicted for the airborne divisions.

If I should cancel the Utah attack I would so badly disarrange elaborate plans as to diminish chances for success elsewhere and to make later manoeuvres perhaps impossible. Moreover, in long and calm consideration of the whole great scheme we had agreed that the Utah attack was an essential factor in prospects for success. To abandon it really meant to abandon a plan in which I had held implicit confidence for more than two years.

Finally, Leigh-Mallory's estimate was just an estimate, nothing more, and our experience in Sicily and Italy did not, by any means, support his degree of pessimism. Bradley, with Ridgway and other airborne commanders, had always supported me and the staff in the matter, and I was encouraged to persist in the belief that Leigh-Mallory was wrong!

I telephoned him that the attack would go as planned and that I would confirm this at once in writing. When, later, the attack was successful he was the first to call me to voice his delight and to express his regret that he had found it necessary to add to my personal burdens during the final tense days before D-day.

There was, of course, much to do aside from merely waiting to make the final decision concerning the timing of the attack. We had visits from many important officials. One of our final visitors was General de Gaulle, with whom some disagreement developed, involving the actual timing and nature of pronouncements to be made to the French population immediately upon landing. General de Gaulle wanted to be clearly and definitely recognised by both the Allied governments as the ruler of France. He insisted that he alone had the right to give orders to the French population in directing the necessary co-operation with the Allied forces.

President Roosevelt was flatly opposed to giving General de Gaulle this specific and particular type of recognition. The President then, as always, made a great point of his insistence that sovereignty in France resided in the people, that the Allies were not entering France in order to force upon the population a particular government or a particular ruler. He asserted, therefore, that our proclamations should show that we were quite ready to co-operate with any French groups that would participate in the work of destroying the German forces. He agreed that if any or all of these groups chose to follow De Gaulle we would operate through his command, but the President could not agree to forcing De Gaulle upon anyone else.

The attempt to work out a plan satisfactory to De Gaulle and still remain within the limits fixed by our governments fell largely to the lot of our headquarters and occasioned a great deal of worry because we were depending on considerable assistance from the insurgents in France. They were known to be particularly numerous in the Brittany area and in the hills and mountains of South East France. An open clash with De Gaulle on this matter would result in bitter recrimination and unnecessary loss of life.

The staff thought the argument was, in a sense, academic. It was considered that, in the initial stages of the operation at least, De Gaulle would represent the only authority that could produce any kind of French co-ordination and unification, and that no harm would result from giving him the kind of recognition he sought. He would merely be placed on notice that once the country was liberated the French people would determine their own government and leader. We had already, with the consent of our governments, accepted De Gaulle's representative, General Koenig, as the commander of the French Forces of the Interior, who was serving as a direct subordinate of mine in the Allied organisation.

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A number of other details remained to be ironed out during the days at Portsmouth preceding D-day, but the big question mark always before us was the weather that would prevail during the only period of early June that we could use, the fifth, sixth, and seventh.



Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower

To Be Continued

CANTONESE BY RADIO

BY S.K. LEE

Lesson 8

Vocabulary:—

48. (pei) bay?

To give, pay. To allow.

49. (la) lah?

A final particle conveying the idea of a command or a demand.

Sentences:

(A) Bay?

To give, pay.

1. Nay bay? tseen? m

Will you pay (for it)?

bay? neh?

I will pay (for it).

2. Ngaw bay? tseen?

I won't pay (for it).

3. Ngaw m bay? tseen?

Will you give (it to) me?

4. Nay bay? ngaw mah?

I will give (it to) you.

5. Ngaw bay? nay.

I won't give (it to) you.

6. Ngaw m bay? nay.

Will you pay him (or her)?

7. Nay bay? m bay?

I will pay him (or her).

tseen? kui neh?

I won't pay him (or her).

8. Ngaw bay? tseen? kui.

Should (I) give money (to) him (or her)?

9. Ngaw m bay? tseen? kui.

Don't give money (to) him (or her)?

10. Hoh? m hoh? bay?

Give some money (to) him (or her)?

tseen? kui neh?

To allow.

11. M hoh? bay? tseen? kui

Will you let him (or her) go?

12. Bay? dee? tseen? kui lah?

I will let him (or her) go.

(B) Bay?

I won't let him (or her) go.

1. Nay bay? m bay? kui

I won't let him (or her) go.

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2. Ngaw bay? m bay? kui

Don't let him (or her) go!

hui? neh?

Let him (or her) go!

3. Ngaw m bay? kui hui?

4. Hoh? m hoh? bay? kui

hui? neh?

5. M hoh? bay? kui hui?

6. Bay? m bay? kui lah?

CHINA COMMUNISTS NAME LIST OF "WAR CRIMINALS"

Pontiff Has Quiet Christmas

Rome, December 25. The Pope spent a quiet Christmas, dedicating it to prayer and meditation, which was interrupted for a short period in the afternoon when he received his relatives.

Among those present at the short audience, held in the private library of the Pontiff, were his nephews, Guido, Marcon-tonio and Giulio Paselli. All three were accompanied by their wives and the last two by their children.

The Pope spoke a few words about Christmas and the Church's duty to his relatives and then handed Christmas gifts to the children.

The presents were artistic ivory and silver rosaries and prayer books bound in mother of pearl.

On Christmas Eve, the Pope received the traditional three-mass. The first two were held in the Vatican Chapel in the presence of the Diplomatic Corps, accredited to the Holy See. The third mass was held in the presence of the Pope's family.

Christian Goodwill

Seattle, December 27. Thirty-nine carloads of wheat for the hungry of Asia and Europe were dedicated at shipside here today as a demonstration of the reality of Christian goodwill and brotherhood.

The words were those of the Governor-elect, Arthur B. Langlie, who participated in the ceremonies marking the donation of the wheat by farmers of Washington, Northern Idaho and Montana.

The thirty-nine cars are part of more than 1,000 carloads of goods of various relief which were to have reached seaports on Christmas day.

The collections were made in the CROP campaign sponsored by the Christian Rural Overseas programme. Backing CROP are Protestant and Catholic Church groups.

Twenty-five of the cars dedicated here were from Washington and Northern Idaho and 14 were from Montana.—Associated Press.

MR. DUGGAN CLEARED

Washington, December 27. The Attorney General, Tom C. Clark, said yesterday no connection had been found between the late Laurence Duggan, former State Department official, and any espionage or giving of documents from the Department.

The Attorney General said that Duggan, who fell to his death last week from a Manhattan office building, had been interrogated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation about 10 days before.

But Mr. Clark emphasized that such an interview did not imply wrongdoing.

"He gave us some leads," Mr. Clark said, "but we have found no connection between him and any espionage or the giving of documents from the State Department."

Duggan, an expert on Latin American affairs, was a top adviser to Secretary of State Cordell Hull when he held office.—Associated Press.

"JUST PENALTY" FOR LEADERS

San Francisco, December 27. The Chinese Communists today named a list of "war criminals" among the leaders of Nationalist China.

In a broadcast, the Red radio described them as "men well known for their heinous crimes and whom all Chinese agree should receive the just penalty."

Heading the list is Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. Madame Chiang also is listed under her maiden name, Soong Mei-ling.

"The 'just penalty' was not described in the broadcast, heard here by the Associated Press.

Most of the names are not surprising but the list includes the Vice-President, Li Tsung-shan, who has been mentioned in China speculation as a possible peace negotiator, and a former Premier, Chiang Chun, also mentioned as a peace advocate.

Others on the list: General Chen Cheng, former Chief of Staff; General Ma Hsiung-hsi, former Commander-in-Chief; Ho Ying-chin, former Defence Minister; and Ku Ching-tung, Army Commander-in-Chief; Chen Li-fu and Chen Kuo-fu, leaders of the extreme rightist clique in the Government;

Kung And Soong

H. H. Kung and T. V. Soong, former Premier and brother-in-law of the Generalissimo; A former Premier, Wang Wen-

hu; The present Premier, Sun Fo; Wu Teh-chen, new Vice-Premier; Foreign Minister and long-time Secretary-General of the Kuomintang; Wang Yun-wu, former Deputy Premier and former Finance Minister;

Tai Chun-yeh, Kuomintang Central Executive Committee member; Wu Ting-chang, long time member of various Cabinets and anti-Communist "pacification commissioner" in Yunnan and Kweichow provinces;

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General Hsiung Shih-hui, Chiang's personal representative at Peiping Headquarters; Chang Li-sheng, former Vice-Premier and Director of the economic blockade against the Communists;

Chu Chia-hua, former Education Minister; Wang Shih-chieh, recently Foreign Minister; Wellington Koo, Ambassador to Washington;

K. C. Wu, Mayor of Shanghai; General Liu Tze, Commander on the front North of Nanking;

Chen Chien, long time Government official and unsuccessful candidate for Vice-President last spring;

General Hsueh Yueh, former Director of Military Affairs; General Wei Li-huang, who finally lost Manchuria to the Reds last month;

The Last Warlord

General Yu Han-mou, head of Chiang's land forces; General Hu Tsung-nan, who captured and then lost the Communist capital of Yenan;

General Fu Tso-yl, North China Commander; General Yen Hsi-shan, "last of the warlords" and Governor of Shansi province;

Chow Chi-jou, Air Force Commander; Wang Hsu-ming, not identified in any available Chinese directories or recent despatches;

General Tu Li-ming, Commander of the Government Army Groups now surrounded by Communists near Hsuehwei;

The Modern Woman

Chicago, December 27. Modern women are bigger and better looking than ever, according to a recent manufacturer's report.

The company found in a survey that women had become heavier in the shoulders, hips and bust and an inch taller. Louise Douglas, veteran designer for the firm, said that, in addition, women are a lot better to look at.

Miss Douglas said women began to expand when they freed themselves from the rib-crushing restrictions of old-fashioned foundation garments. The evolution has become complete and women nowadays are inclined to buy shoes that fit rather than pinched, she added.—United Press.

Minority Leaders

General Tang En-po, Commander of Nanking Defence; General Sun Li-jen, head of the Government Army School on Formosa;

Ma Hsiung-kwei, independent Governor of Ninghsia province; Ma Pu-fang, Governor of Tsinghai province;

Tao Hsi-sheng, former Kuomintang official who aided but then broke with the Japanese puppet regime during the Japanese war;

Tseng Chi, leader of the minority Young China Party; and Carson Chang, leader of the minority Democratic Socialist Party, both of which participate in the Chiang Government.—Associated Press.

Reds Introduce A New Currency

Shanghai, December 27. The leftist Far Eastern Bulletin reports that the Chinese Communists have issued a new Chinese currency with one dollar equivalent to about 2/3 of an American cent.

The magazine pointed out that the currency is backed by neither precious metal nor foreign currencies but by essential commodities.

"People in liberated areas prefer foodstuffs, cloth and other materials to gold or silver," the magazine explained.

The new currency is being issued by the newly established Communist Peoples' Bank of North China and is intended as legal tender for more than 100,000,000 people living South of the Great Wall and North of the Yellow River.

It does not extend so far to Communist-controlled Manchuria, or Red areas of Central China.

The new currency is intended to replace notes issued by three Communist banks now amalgamated: the North China Bank, the North Sea Bank and the North Western Farmers' Bank.

Some Inflation

Apparently there is a wide discrepancy in the value of notes issued by these three banks because of conversion rates.

The Far East Bulletin claims there has been no demand on the part of the people under Red control to convert paper money into metal coins and there is no

Briton's Successful Appeal

Jubbulpore, December 27. Major Francis Samuel Powell, 52 year old Briton sentenced to six months' imprisonment at Jubbulpore last August on a charge of possessing arms without a licence, today successfully appealed against his conviction.

The Appeal Court judge said the prosecution was the outcome of wrong entries made by the Quartermaster of the Constabulary. He ordered that Powell's licence and licensed arms be restored to him.—Reuter.

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SOUTH WEST CHINA AS NEW CHIANG BASE?

Shanghai, December 27.

The Nationalist Government is reported to be planning the appointment of a Governor General for China's South Western provinces.

Object is to unify the direction of military and administrative affairs in this important part of the country, famous for its wealth of natural resources.

The name of General Ho Ying-chin, former Minister of National Defence, is being prominently mentioned for the new post, which is expected to have overall jurisdiction over the provinces of Szechuen—China's "rice bowl"—Yunnan, Kwangsi, Kweichow and Sikang—an area larger than India, with a total population of over 90 million.

Reports said the headquarters of the new Governor General is likely to be established in the wartime capital of Chungking.

Informed political observers here expressed the belief that the real objective of the Government's contemplated action are:

Firstly, to nip in the bud a reported autonomous movement among the warlord rulers of some of these South-West provinces; and

Secondly, to make the necessary preparations for the ultimate removal of the Government to one of these remote centres for a fight to the bitter end if Nationalist peace overtures to the Communists should prove fruitless.

Canton Vulnerable

The appointment of a Governor General for South-West China these observers believe, would be the first step in establishing a new anti-Communist bastion and winning the goodwill of a people who although against Communism have not been too friendly in their attitude towards the Central Government in recent years.

Although the immediate intention of the Government is to move to Canton should Nanking fall, high military authorities are said to consider the Southern metropolis too vulnerable and prefer some more inaccessible site in South Western China.

Arab Air Raids In Palestine

Tel Aviv, December 26. Blacked out Tel Aviv had an air-raid warning tonight for the second night in succession. The alert lasted three-quarters of an hour but no bombs were heard.

United Nations observers in the Negev region today counted 90 bombs dropped in the Kahn Yunnes-Rafiah area near the Egyptian border, a United Nations spokesman in Haifa told Reuter.

An Israeli military spokesman reported today some fighting in the Negev, which was confined to the area near Nirim, about seven miles South East of Rafiah, but also further South. This second area would mean along the Egyptian frontier which runs nearly due South at this point.

The Faluja area, where an Egyptian brigade is trapped, was quiet. There was a certain amount of aerial activity by both sides last night and today, the spokesman said.

The present fighting would appear to be South of Gaza, which military observers here considered might be cut off if the Israeli forces should be successful in their latest push against the Egyptians, whom they accused of sabotaging the economic life of Jewish settlements in the Southern Negev.—Reuter.

Getting Nowhere In A Hurry

Knutsford, December 26.

Mr. Peter Fraser, Prime Minister of New Zealand, likened the United Nations to a squirrel in a cage, going round and round, but not getting anywhere in the way of settling their problems.

Mr. Fraser, who is staying with friends in Britain, told reporters: "Today, with millions everywhere celebrating the birth of the Prince of Peace, we are still far from peace."

"The desolation caused by war is widespread and even the most optimistic cannot call it peace."

"In Berlin, Indonesia, China, Costa Rica, there is either war or an uneasy, hostile, cold peace. The United Nations is full of goodwill and the best of intentions, but it is circumscribed in its influence. It works hard, but its whole routine is very like that of a squirrel in a cage, going round and round, but not getting anywhere in the way of settling the major problems."

"I hope the imminent beginning of the New Year will inspire the people and the Governments of the world to a determination that the machinery of the United Nations can be adequately improved so that settlements of disputes between nations by peaceful methods and the rule of law will be not only the proper, but the inevitable course for all nations."

"I earnestly hope that the announcement of the world will be aroused on this Christmas Day that the message of Christ, peace on earth and goodwill towards men, will be realised in word and deed."—Reuter.

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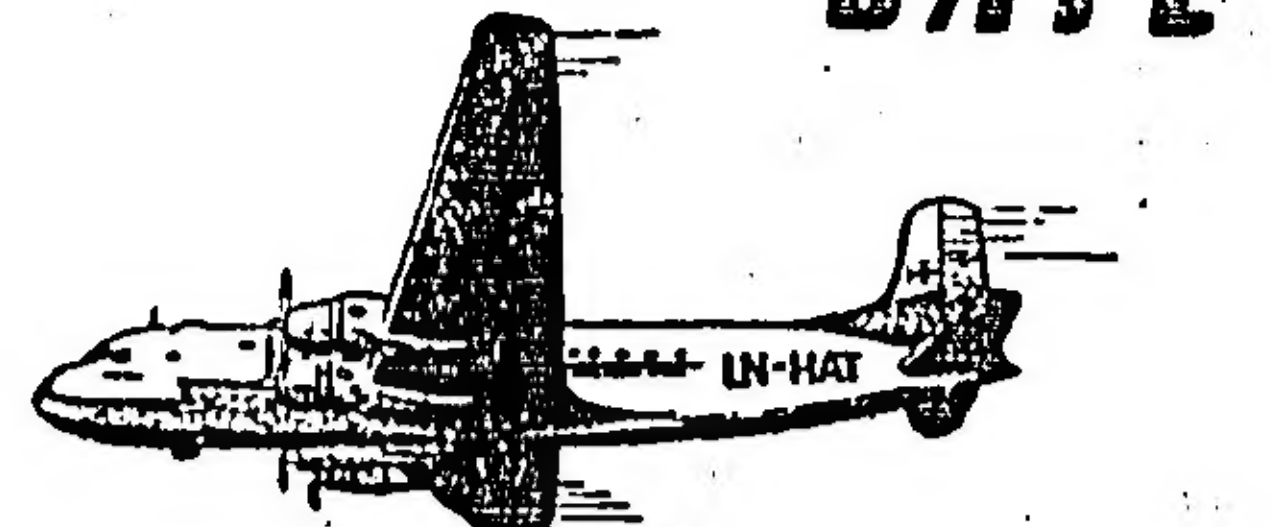
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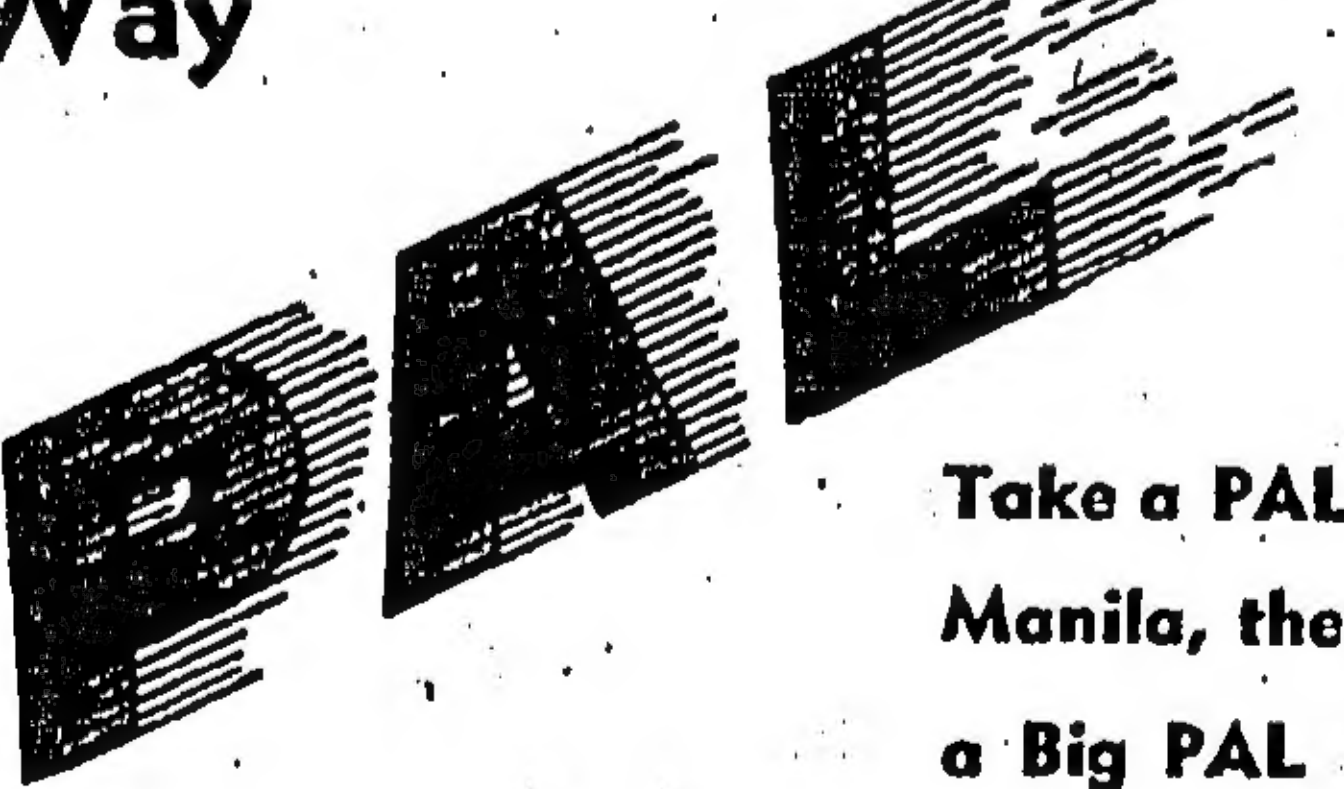
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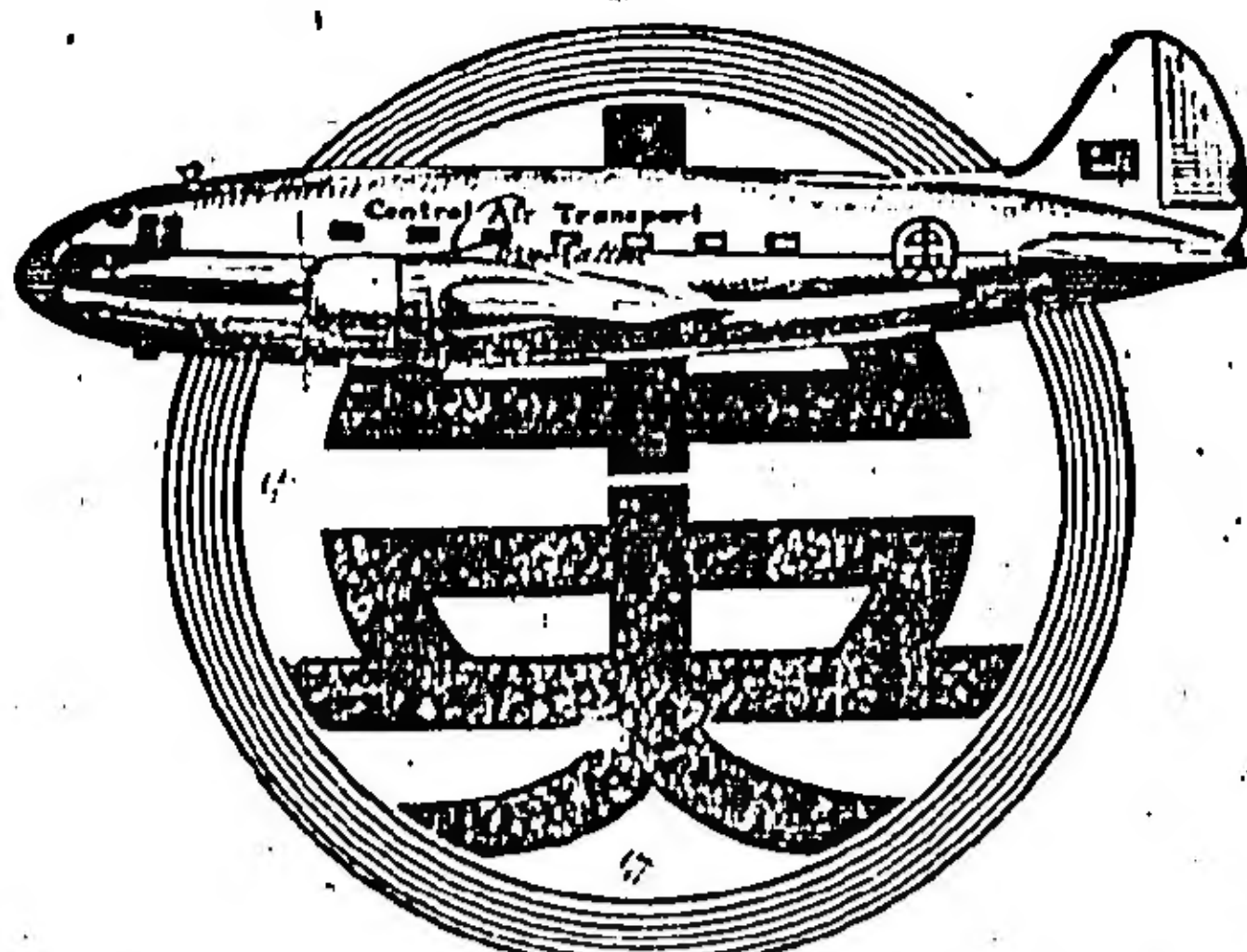
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TALK OF PEACE NOT JUST ALL TALK

Shanghai, December 27.

The bitter and freezing weather today slowed the civil war to a walk. In direct contrast, indications that there is something behind the peace talks, picked up speed hourly.

Two definite impressions were left by this correspondent's visit to Nanking on pre-Christmas days:

1. For the first time in a long time there is very clearly discernible cohesion and co-ordination among various officials in directing various phases of the government—what one high foreign source described as, now everybody lets others know what they are doing, instead of taking

independent action at a tangent and keeping it secret, with a resultant spirit of co-operation long absent.

2. None of the high Chinese officials contacted denies the seriousness of the situation and none denied peace possibilities.

No Pessimism

One of the Cabinet ministers, in an interview with this correspondent, took particular pains to make it clear that peace was not ruled out in the new government's consideration of the overall situation.

There are no signs anywhere in Nanking, either in the spirit of officials or in preparations of their offices, to indicate that they are planning to leave the capital.

While admitting the present crisis, none will admit pessimism for the future.

Another impression gained is that the Chinese fully realise now that it will be a purely Chinese show here on. They are entirely on their own as far as American help or advice is concerned. They acknowledge they have abandoned hope of getting American aid, and that self-help will be the only help in fighting Communism in China.—United Press.

Turkish Clamour For Cyprus

Istanbul, December 27.

The entire police force was mobilised today for a demonstration by 10,000 to 15,000 Turks shouting for the return of Cyprus to Turkey.

Extra police precautions were taken because a similar demonstration got out of hand last year.

Today's student-inspired demonstration climaxed a long series of editorials all of which were devoted to stressing Turkey's historic claim to Cyprus.

Similar editorials have been appearing in the Greek press, demanding the island for Greece.

There has been growing feeling between Greeks and Turks because of rival claims.

Both sides agreed, however, in their dissatisfaction with British rule in Cyprus, whose population is mostly Greek and Turkish.—United Press.

Bombay, December 27.

The General Secretary of the Indian Trade Union Congress, Mr. Narayan Joshi, today called on all seamen and dock workers to demonstrate their sympathy for Indonesia by boycotting Dutch ships calling in Bombay.

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\$1,500,000 Xmas Present

New York, December 26.
Mr. Myron C. Taylor President Truman's personal representative to the Vatican, has given a \$1,500,000 Christmas present to Cornell University to erect and furnish a students' interfaith building as a memorial to the second World War.
The building will be called Annabel Taylor Hall, in honor of Mr. Taylor's wife.—Reuter.

Tornado Damage

Mombasa, December 27.
Two tornadoes which struck Mombasa yesterday caused extensive damage. No one was reported seriously injured.
The first tore off the roof of a customs shed at the docks, shattered an engineering shed and seriously damaged a motor boat on the docks for repairs.
The second, two hours later, struck the aerodrome at Port Reitz, used by the Royal Air Force and civilian aircraft. Roofs were ripped off billets and a large garage was blown down, burying three cars in the wreckage.—Reuter.

Fuzeta, Portugal,

December 27.

The Portuguese trawler, Gasparinho, last night feared lost after failing to return from a trip in rough seas—has returned to port with the crew of 24 all safe and sound.—Reuter.

GRIM FACTS FOR WESTERN EUROPE

Paris, December 27.

The European recovery programme governments of Western Europe face the grim fact that they are not recovering as fast as the plan demands.

There are many explanations for this but the executive of the organisation of Western powers has decided after lengthy conferences to lay the cold fact before the United States.

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Ten-Point Peace Scheme For China Put Forward

San Francisco, December 27.

Mr. Mao Chien-wou, who said he founded the Ta Kung Daily News of Nanking and Hankow, today outlined a 10-point programme for ending China's civil war.

He proposed:

1. Immediate resignation of President Chiang Kai-shek, his close associates in the Government and the military.
2. Immediate restoration of the fundamental freedoms, including freedom of speech, and release of political prisoners.
3. Withdrawal of Government and Communist troops 30 miles behind their respective fronts during peace negotiation and cessation of propaganda warfare.
4. Send "middle roaders" such as Lo Lung-chi to invite the Communist leaders, Mao Tse-tung and Zhou En-lai, to Nanking and also invite Marshal Li Chai-sum, Chang Fal-chun and others from Hong Kong to negotiate a peace.

National Assembly

5. Convoke a "political consultative council" in Nanking to form a coalition government composed one-third of Nationalists, one-third of Communists and one-third of other parties and non-partisans.
6. Lay out a national reconstruction programme based on "political democratisation, army nationalisation and economic socialisation."
7. Convoke a national assembly to revise the constitution and elect a president who will lead China to a constitutional democracy.

No Mediation

8. After the peace all Chinese should unite for recovery with foreign investment welcomed so long as it does not encroach on national sovereignty.
9. A Chinese foreign policy devoted to world peace, neither anti-American nor anti-Soviet.
10. Peace negotiations by Chinese alone without participation by the United States or Russia.—Associated Press.

U.S. ARMY PURGE

Washington, December 27.

The Army disclosed today that it is running a loyalty check to keep Communists out of its ranks. All volunteers, draftees and applicants for commissions are required to make an affidavit whether they are, or were ever affiliated with, any group advocating overthrow of the Government by force, violence or intimidation. Any civilian applicant who admits such ties is barred, and men already in the service who admit such affiliations may be discharged.—United Press.

INTERNATIONAL MORALITY CODE

London, December 27.

KALGAN ABANDONED BY NATIONALISTS

Tientsin, December 27.

Chiang Sees New Cabinet

Nanking, December 26. What is believed to be the most important conference on Nationalist policy since the formation of Dr. Sun Fo's Cabinet was held here today. President Chiang Kai-shek met the Premier, General Chang Chun, General Chiang Chih-chung and the Vice-Premier, General Wu Tien-cheng.

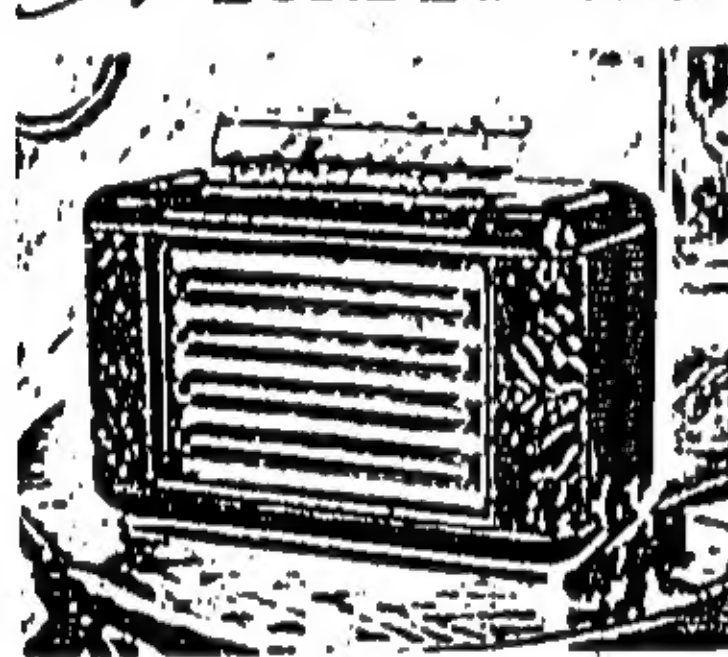
There was no official information about what they discussed. Some quarters said however that they discussed the economic crisis created by the steep inflationary conversion of the Yuan since the order given to the banks last week to temporarily suspend the conversion of currency to gold. A full Cabinet meeting is expected to be held next Wednesday to decide on the final measures about the resumption of the free conversion on a simplified plan that might bolster public confidence in the currency of Nationalist China.—Reuter-AAP.

CAF CRASH IN SOUTH CHINA

Shanghai, December 26. The crew of five were killed when a Chinese Air Force C-46 crashed on Friday night into a mountain near Chinglo, Fukien Province, South East of Fochow, while en route from Hankow to Fochow, according to Chinese reports this morning.

The accident occurred in dense fog, which considerably hampered air services in the past few days.—Reuter.

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Kowloon.

General Fu Tso-yi's headquarters today announced the abandonment of Kalgan, capital of Chahar Province and a well-known caravan hub, leaving intact all its many factories and equipment. "In order to avoid loss of life and property," the Nationalists began a systematic withdrawal from Kalgan on December 23, the announcement said, adding that perfect order was maintained along the evacuation route.

All factories, which had been operated at full blast during the past two years, as well as material supplies, manufactured goods and equipment, were properly inventoried before withdrawal and specially designated agents will hand the lists to the "bandits" because the installations "form part of the national wealth and public property," the statement declared.

General Fu's headquarters also announced that two Nationalist divisions at Hsiao-ping, along the Peiping-Suiyuan railway, 45 miles South of Kalgan, have withdrawn after half a month's fighting and have joined the evacuating Kalgan Garrison on transfer to a new designation.

Scorched Earth

The amazing official announcement regarding Kalgan has added to the many perplexities in connection with the conduct of China's civil war in North China especially in view of the fact that all around Tientsin villages are being demolished without regard for the populace.

The latest example of such wanton destruction was reported today by the Catholic Yi Shih Pao which revealed that at Yihingku, an important town about six miles North of Tientsin, 2,800 families' homes were set on fire yesterday on the orders of the Nationalist authorities.

The population had no time to remove their belongings and had to run for their lives almost empty-handed. Earlier, about half a dozen villages in the suburbs of Tientsin were similarly razed.

A mosque was among the structures burnt down in the North Western suburbs of Mukden, where the population is predominantly Moslem. All the destroyed sections are well within the firing range of the Nationalist guns mounted along the protection dam.

Tragic Scenes

This Nationalist policy is directly responsible for tragic scenes witnessed along Tientsin's snow-covered streets, where scantily clad refugees wander aimlessly in search of food and shelter from the biting cold.

No announcement has hitherto been made by Chinese official quarters regarding accommodation for the increasing number of villagers rendered homeless by this destruction by the defenders, at a time when it is officially admitted that the Communists are moving elsewhere.

The independent Ta Kung Pao today editorially hailed General Fu Tso-yi's measures in Kalgan. The paper declared that the orderly handing over of inventoried and intact plants and equipment compares favourably with the preservation of the industrial and mining installations in Tongshan, giving proof of the sincerity of official quarters to protect the

Cell Concert For Nazis

Berlin, December 26. The seven top-ranking Nazis at Berlin's Spandau Prison were back at their cells today after a Christmas Day gramophone concert in the common room.

The French chaplain provided classical records and the concert was attended also by members of the British, French, American and Russian prison staff.

The prisoners, who included Hess and Goebbels, sat quietly all through the concert and hardly spoke a sentence to one another.—Reuter.

MARSHALL AID AUTHORIZATION

Washington, December 27. The Economic Co-operation Administration announced today that the total authorizations from Marshall Plan funds during the week for 15 countries amounted to \$132,784,000.

This brought the cumulative total of Marshall Aid for all countries to \$4,190,200,000.

The cumulative totals for countries are now:

Austria—\$200,763,000; Belgium—\$130,514,000; Denmark—\$80,958,000; France—\$364,350,000; French Zone of Germany—\$52,328,000; German Bizonia—\$330,832,000; Greece—\$145,177,000; Iceland—\$4,048,000; Ireland—\$51,432,000; Italy—\$487,707,000; Indonesia—\$61,701,000; The Netherlands—\$307,323,000; Norway—\$58,045,000; Sweden—\$10,000,000; Switzerland—\$9,205,000; Turkey—\$642,000; United Kingdom—\$1,095,004,000; China—\$170,093,000.—Reuter.

China Facing A New Crisis

Shanghai, December 27.

While peace talks ebbed and flowed and while the Reds claimed new military successes, the Nationalists in China seemed confronted with a new economic crisis.

Commodity costs, which jumped violently on December 25 after the Government stopped selling gold, silver and bullion at controlled prices, continued to soar.

Pice reached 600 gold yuan per 100 pound bag on December 26 in an increase of 120 yuan in 24 hours.

Since wage indices seldom keep pace with the black market food prices at this rate will soon be beyond the means of the average wage earner.

There seems no doubt—any more that Nationalist China is in for another winter of high speed money inflation. To understand what this means, imagine drawing \$50 in wages to buy \$50

Presses Busy

Also imagine your grocer looking his door in your face because he cannot afford to sell food for your skimming money and has to suspend business until the rate of fall slows down.

Nanking reports say that the Government controls with the Finance Ministry but it is hard to see where any effective measures can be taken.

Already large denomination bills are appearing, which means that the printing presses are running again.—Associated Press.



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WHITE CHRISTMAS FOR BESIEGED PEIPING

Peiping, December 27.

Peiping awoke after a quiet Christmas night to find the city quilted with snow which made every scene a living picture post-card.

On the warfront around the city not a shot disturbed the silence. There were further reports of Communist troop movements from Hopei to the Central China front.

All-Out Support For North

Nanking, December 27.

The Nationalist High Command was reported today to have decided to give all out support to General Fu Tso-yi's hard-pressed forces defending the Peiping and Tientsin areas by increasing air and naval reinforcements to North China.

At the same time, to cope with the Communist threat in Central China North of Peiping, it was said to have agreed on mobile tactics and to continue to drop large quantities of supplies by air to the besieged Nationalist Army Groups in Northern Anhwei.

The Nationalist High Command decision was taken at a conference yesterday at President Chiang Kai-shek's official residence, where General Hsu Yung-chung, the new Minister of National Defence, met for the first time with the Commanders-in-Chief of the Air, Navy and ground forces and of the combined services of supply.

At the conference, the first since General Hsu assumed office, it was also decided to order the Government troops in Kiangsu to hold, at all costs, all vital points North of the Yangtze and prevent any Communist attempt to force a river crossing.

With the fighting now stalemated North of the Government's defences at the Hsiao River, the Ministry of National Defence, in an official release today, credited the railway guards with exemplary action in coping with the Communist harassing activities along the Tientsin-Pukow line during the current month.

In 52 engagements, fought with Communist bands since the be-

A spokesman for Fu Tso-yi's North China headquarters commented it was quite possible that this was so.

Professor Hsu Ying-chao, director of Athletics at the National Normal University here, was arrested on December 24 but no reason was given.

The arrest, however, followed reports that authorities were planning to round up all persons suspected of co-operation with Reds.

Successful test landings on the new Temple of Heaven airfield were made on Friday when a C-46 from Tientsin alighted safely.

It was the first plane ever to land on the Temple grounds, one of China's greatest national shrines.

Siege Marriage

Authorities hope the field may be used for resumption of regular commercial air services with Peiping.

Already more than 5,000 have applied for passage and permission to leave the city if transportation becomes available.

The distinction of being the first American to get married during the current Red siege fell to a corporal on the staff of the United States Army Language school, Edward Grzeszyk, aged 20 from Philadelphia.

His bride was Tania Krasoulina, 19-year-old blonde White Russian born in Peiping, whose parents left recently for Argentina. They were married on Christmas Eve.—Associated Press.

During December, the Ministry claimed that the Communists suffered casualties totalling 10,000 killed, 1,500 wounded and 1,500 taken prisoners.

Among the booty captured were listed 18 light machine guns, 269 rifles, 13 pistols and large quantities of ammunition.—Reuter-AAP.

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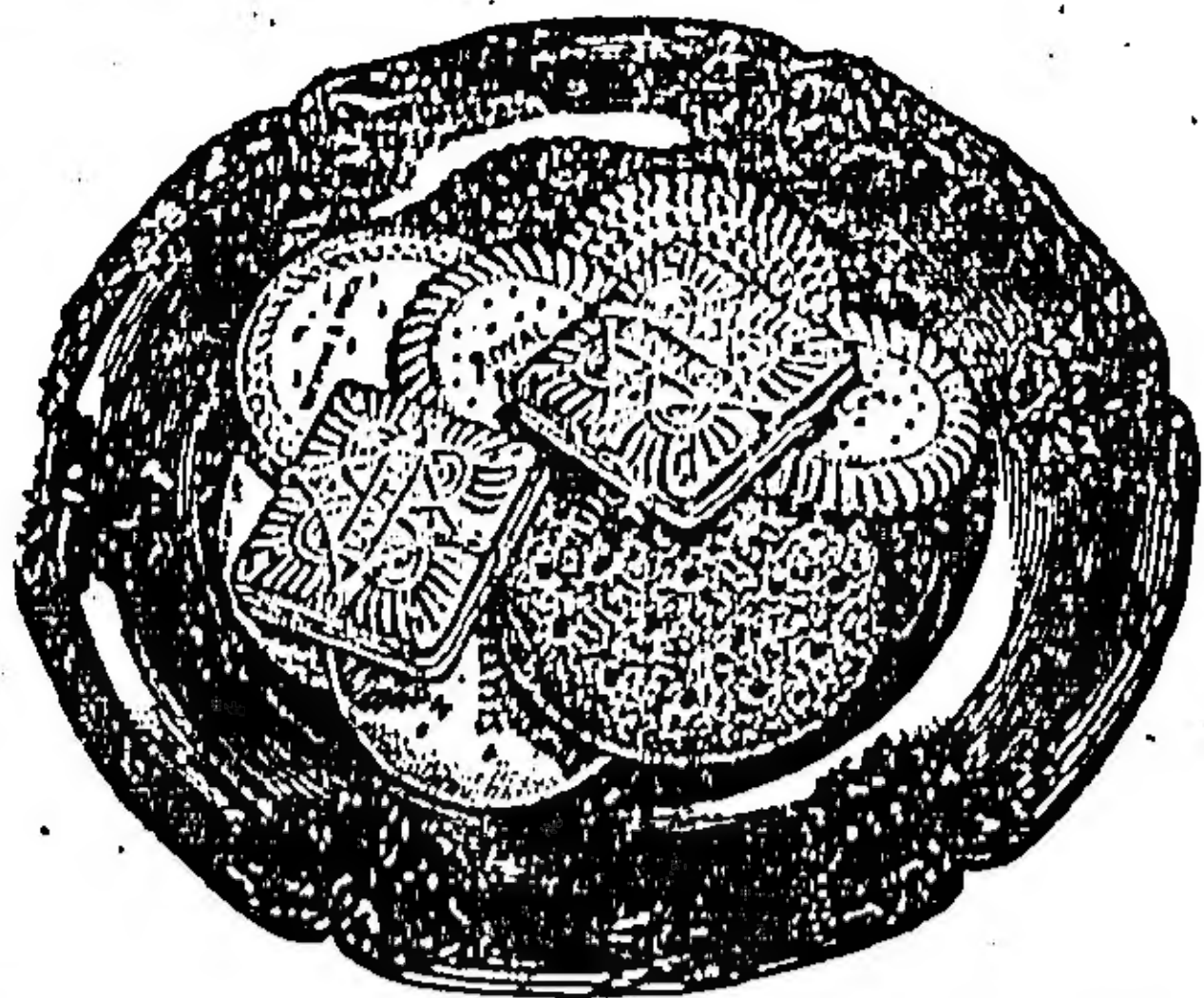


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FACTS SUPPRESSED IN TRIAL OF SADIST

Washington, December 27.

The Senate's super investigating committee says that the clemency granted Ilsa Koch was utterly unjustified.

It urges the Army to seek new evidence so it can try her again.

In a stinging 12,000-word report covering its investigation of the case, the Committee singled out Lieutenant-Colonel

Clio E. Straight for sharp criticism for his part in reducing the sentence passed on the sadistic widow of the Buchenwald concentration camp commander.

It also accused the Army of what appeared to be an effort to suppress facts in the case, which it said is vitally important both to the United States and the world because it involves a person of such widespread infamy. Frau Koch was accused of marking for death certain tattooed prisoners of the infamous Nazi torture camp at Buchenwald. Their skin, it was alleged, later was used to make lamp shades and other ornaments.

Koch was originally sentenced to life imprisonment. After a review, a court reduced her sentence to four years. General Lucius Clay, American commander in Germany, later upheld the review of the Court's decision.

New Evidence

The action raised a public clamour which led a Senate Committee to hold its own investigation. It heard top Army officials, including Colonel Straight himself and several former inmates of the German concentration camp.

The Committee said that while it believes General Clay had the power to reimpose the life sentence even now, such action would not be in keeping with American justice. However, it added, there is nothing to prevent the Army from digging up new evidence.

"The military authorities say they have been unable to find evidence of any other crime Ilsa Koch committed on which she could be tried without violating the rule of double jeopardy. However, the Committee hopes that vigorous attention has been given to exhausting every possibility in this regard, for if it is legally possible Ilsa Koch should be brought to justice in a United States military court," United Press.

SHOULD LIVE NEARER WORK

London, December 27.

New underground railways and the provision of housing for workers in the centre of the capital is recommended as a solution of London's transport problem, considerably worse since the war, in a statement issued by the London Chamber of Commerce.

The tendency for workers to travel to and from the outskirts instead of living in London must be reversed, and houses and large blocks of flats for workers should be built in bombed sites and in the place of huge houses in the central districts.

The plans of the Chamber have been sent to the Minister of Transport, the Minister of Town and Country Planning and the War Damage Commission.—Reuter

IMPROVED TEACHING

Moscow, December 27.

The Ministry of Education of the Russian Republic has now decided that all school teachers who have not had pedagogical education must take special courses.

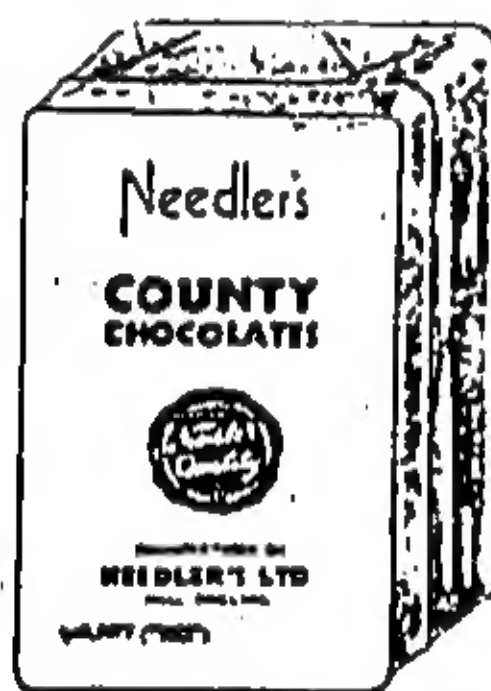
The courses given the teacher will not interrupt their teaching and will be partly correspondence courses. Special attention, it is stated by Tass, will be given to biology teaching. The decree provided that teachers with less than 15 years' experience must take the specified courses while those with more than 15 years to their credit would be expected to study by themselves to improve their qualifications.—Associated Press.

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Corporals See Black Thing

Mombasa, December 27.

Two Royal Air Force corporals have chased the "Killindini Monster" across Mombasa harbour in a motor launch. They say it has a head like a bull only larger—three feet long and two feet wide—covered with scales and of a dark colour. Protuberances on either side, they consider to be either ears or horns. The "monster" known to generations of Africans as Kitu Nyasuli (The Black Thing), is now being linked with the recent disappearance of a boy diver in Killindini harbour, the port of Mombasa.

The men, Corporal E. Collett, and Corporal J. Somerville, said it made a heavy wash as though it had a huge body, and that it took no notice of a .303 Viceroy pistol fired at it.—Reuter.

Mass Exodus Of White Russians

Shanghai, December 27.

A mass exodus of White Russians from Shanghai is expected to get under way some time today with the departure of 50 emigres by air for Japan.

The first of three DC-4 aircraft, transporting 150 White Russians who have been given permission to enter Japan, is expected to arrive at Lunghua Aerodrome on the Southern outskirts of Shanghai early this morning and leave a few hours later.

Meanwhile, a steamer which will evacuate 800 other White Russians is expected to arrive here on or about December 30.

A source close to the Shanghai White Russian community said that great disappointment was felt when SCAP permitted the entry of only 150 persons into Japan.

COLD CURE?

London, December 27.
An English doctor says sulphur dioxide fumes seem to give protection against the common cold and influenza.

Dr. T. H. Durran of Bourton-on-the-Hill described in the British Medical Journal how workmen employed in part of a factory where the air was heavy with the fumes were markedly free from colds.

Workmen elsewhere in the plant did not enjoy the immunity, Dr. Durran wrote.

"It therefore seems probable that the presence of sulphur dioxide in the saliva for periods of eight hours or more daily has a protective effect," he said.—Associated Press.

Defence Pact Talks Make Good Progress

Washington, December 27.

Drafting of the projected seven-nation North Atlantic security pact is progressing rapidly. This is despite squabbles among the leading powers on other international problems.

Western diplomatic sources said work on the historic peacetime alliance is running ahead of the schedule envisaged a month ago. The treaty may be ready for Senate action within six weeks if all goes well.

Diplomats working on treaty details adjourned their talks over the Christmas week-end. Tight secrecy is being drawn around the talks as they move toward final agreement. But Western diplomats familiar with the negotiations reported that they are going very well despite.

(1) American reaction to the Dutch Government's "police action" against the Indonesian Republic.

The United States knew in advance that its stand on Indonesia might dampen interest in a defensive arrangement with the Netherlands, but apparently this has not influenced the treaty talks so far.

Ruhr Wrangle

(2) The recent tug of war between the United States and Britain on one hand and France on the other over controls to be imposed on the German Ruhr industrial area. This wrangle did not delay the treaty talks, officials said, and an agreement to clear up the Ruhr question is expected to be announced next Tuesday.

American action on the North Atlantic treaty is expected to move even faster after Congress convenes. Officials said.

By that time, a broad outline of the treaty is expected to be fixed, although technical details may hold up final agreement until possibly early in February.

Military officials welcome reports from London that a big step is being taken to bolster Western European defences even before the treaty is signed. Britain is reported to have agreed to send jet fighters to France, Belgium and the Netherlands under the 50-year Brussels Pact.—United Press.

London, December 27.
Australia's grant of A£10,000,000 to Britain has now received the Royal assent and the Australian High Commissioner in London is to make arrangements for payment of £8,000,000 to the British Government. This was stated in a telegram which the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, has received from Mr. Joseph B. Chifley, the Australian Prime Minister.—Reuter.

Salmon Skin "Leather"

Berlinham, December 27.
Pacific American Fisheries announced it has developed "leathers" from salmon skin.

The fishing cannery company's said the new type leather is a by-product of its new process of processing salmon after the backbone and skin have been removed. An ingenious attachment removes a thin layer of skin with the fish scales. The company described the resulting leather as smooth, pliable and non-porous. It can be tanned and dyed. The company said the salmon skins are large and thicker than reptile skins. It said the leather trade is studying the new creation for possible uses.—Associated Press.

MORE CZECH NATIONALISATION

Prague, December 27.

The Czechoslovak Nationalisation Programme has been extended to the railways, post office and airlines, which have been operated as state concerns.

They are going to have to operate as business concerns and preferably show a profit. Bills have been prepared for Parliament to set up the post office and transport organisation in business. The employees have approved the proposal.

In addition to operating with a Board of Directors, just like any other country's industry, the new corporations will be subject to taxes and the Board of Directors—one third of which is to come from the Enterprise's Trade Union Organisation—will be answerable to business discipline.—Associated Press.

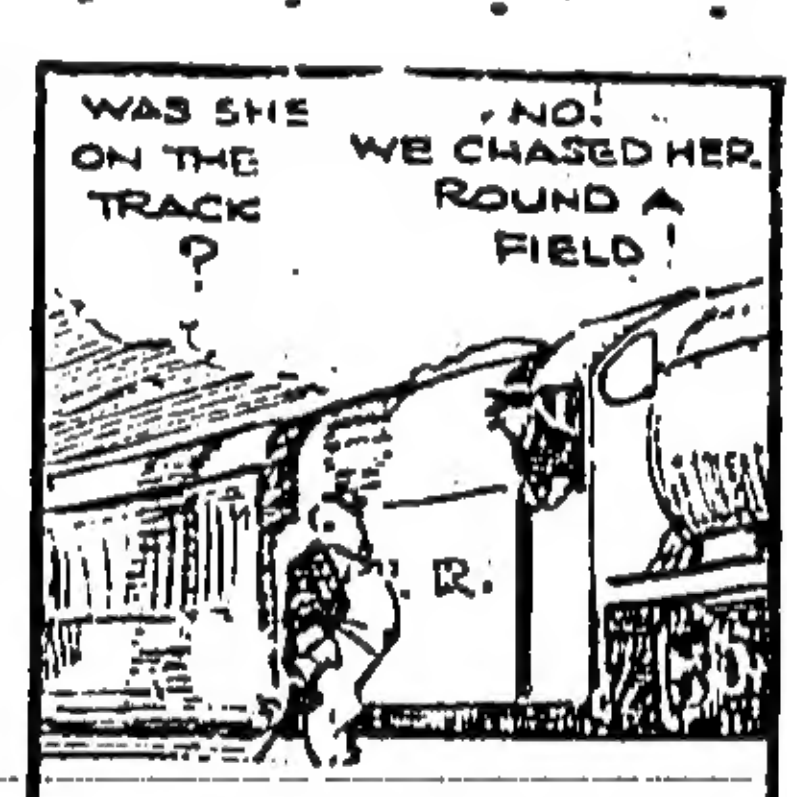
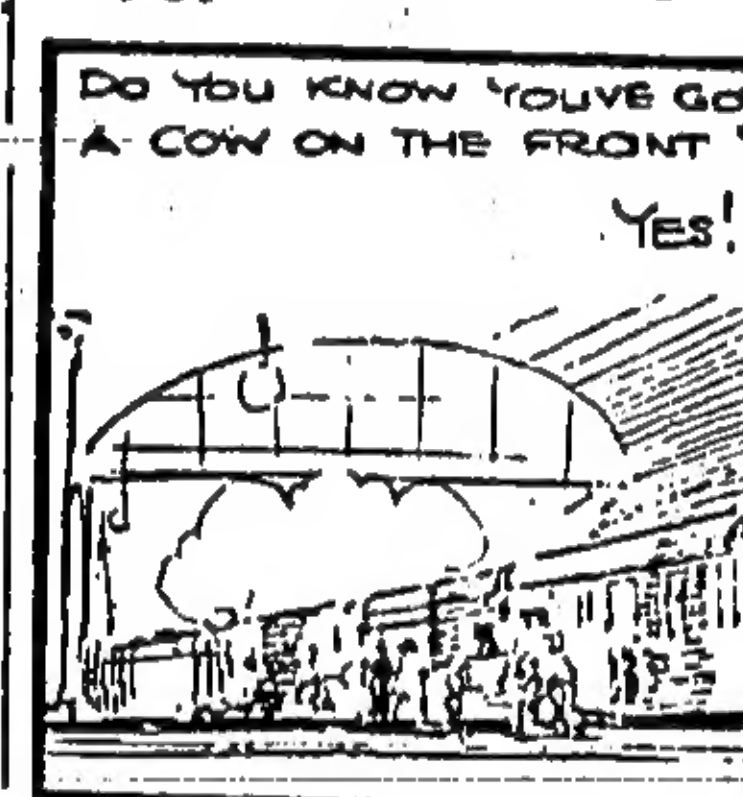
NURSES' CONGRESS

Stockholm, December 27.

More than 4,000 nurses from all parts of the world are expected in Stockholm next June for the biggest International Congress ever held here.

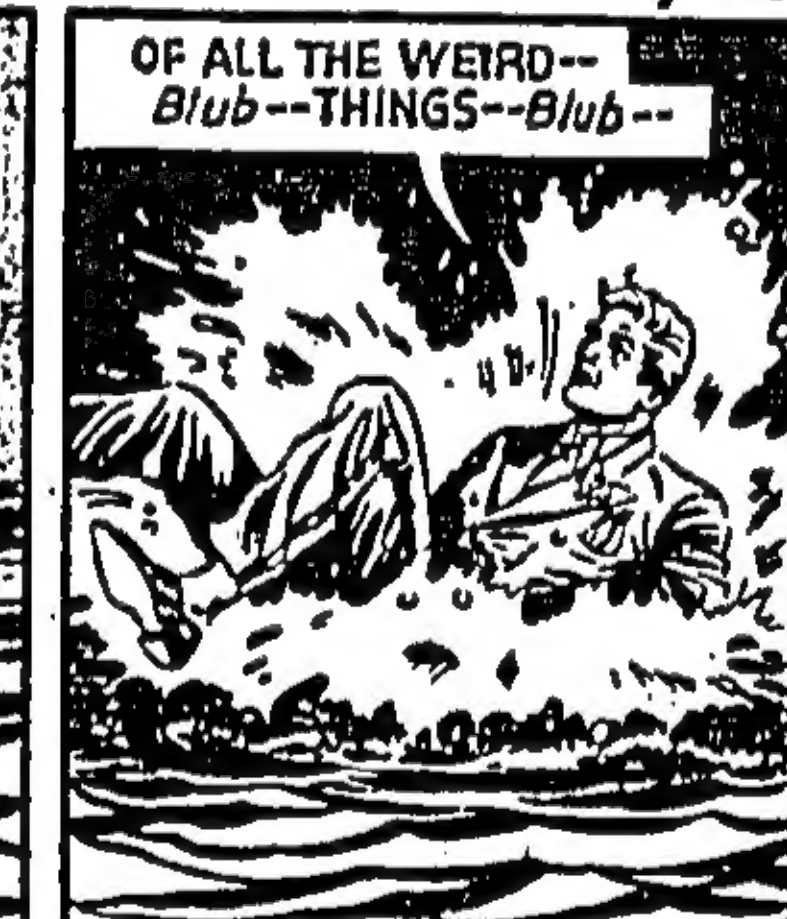
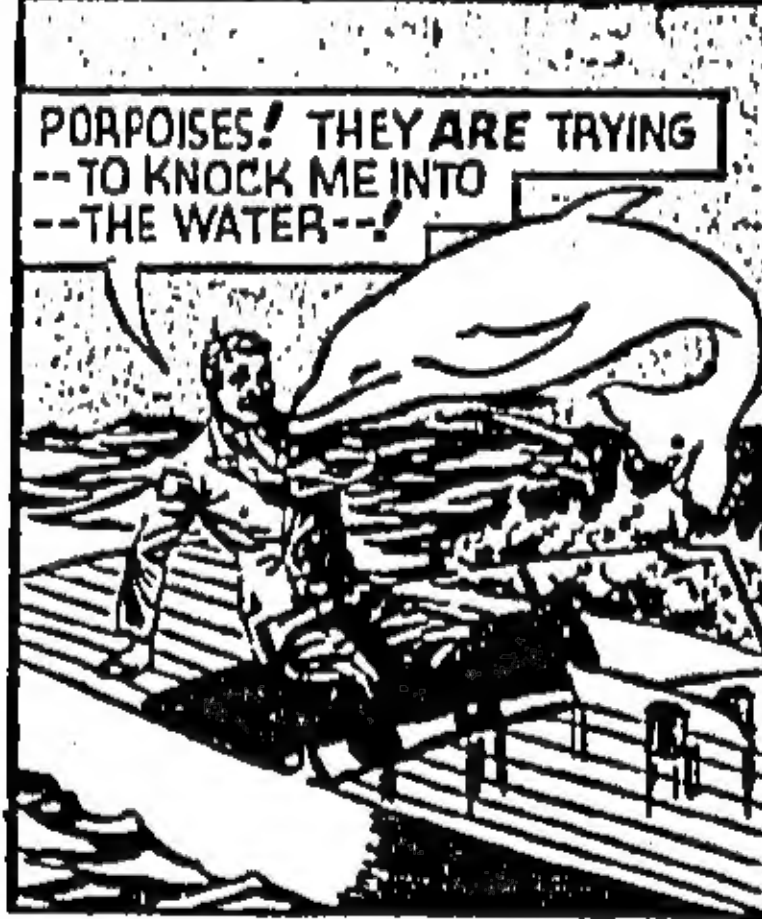
Preparations for the giant congress, to be arranged for June 12-16 by the International Council of Nurses under its Swedish President, Miss Gerda Hoeljer, have been under way for several months.—Associated Press.

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Manila, December 27.

Government leaders predict prosperity for the Philippines in the coming new year but their forecasts are cautious.

Dangerous symptoms which appeared during 1948 caused economists to intensify warnings that the young Republic's rising wave of false wealth is on the surface.

Kwangtung Progress

Canton, December 27.
An outline of Kwangtung's administration and reconstruction progress was given by Dr. T. Y. Soong (Governor) to the Hunan press delegation visiting Canton.

After stating Kwangtung's need for human rice and other foodstuffs in exchange for cotton yarns, Dr. Soong stressed the Government's policy of increasing electricity output for both domestic and industrial consumption.

However, this is expected to ease somewhat when a new coal mine in Kwangtung begins operating in the New Year.

The Governor said that the Whampoa Harbour development programme is proceeding according to the original plan. The dock area can now service ships of 3,000 tons, and he hopes that ships of 10,000 tons will be able to enter the port.

With regard to Kwangtung's industrial expansion, Dr. Soong stated that there is plenty of scope for development. However, the electrical power position is a handicap.

He said that big iron and steel plants will soon be completed, a major part in the province's industrial development plan—Reuter.

Head Hunters Revolt

Rangoon, December 27.
The English newspaper Nation reports that head hunters from the State of Wa, armed with bows and arrows, have revolted against the Burmese Government.

The newspaper said that Burmese troops have been sent to meet the rebels, who are threatening Burmese military police outposts. The headhunters of Wa are Burma's most primitive tribe. Most of their territory is wild and ungoverned. They staged an abortive rebellion last year.—Associated Press.

SOVIET BUYING IN BRITAIN

London, December 27.
The Soviet Union is purchasing £5,500,000 worth of electrical equipment from Britain. A contract has been signed with Brush Electrical Engineering Company of Loughborough, and its associate firm J. & H. McLaren of Leeds, for delivery of 2,850 standard self-contained 50 kilowatt generating sets.—Associated Press.

INDIES TRADE WITH JAPAN

Tokyo, December 27.
The Netherlands will sign a financial and trade agreement with Japan providing for US\$90,000,000 for trade between Japan and both Indonesia and Holland. General MacArthur's Headquarters announced today. Private trade between these countries will be reopened in the New Year.—Reuter.

REFUGEES ARRIVE

Rome, December 27.
Eighty-four Jewish refugees from Arab-populated Tripolitania have arrived by boat in Sicily, the news agency Ansa reported yesterday.

The dispatch from Syracuse, Sicily, said most of the refugees were women and children. They fled from Tripolitania because they were "vexed" by local Arab administrations in the North African territory.

The refugees said they were encouraged to leave the voyage in their tiny craft because of assistance offered by Sicilians to a previous group of 64 Jewish refugees from Tripolitania. Tripolitania as a whole is administered provisionally by the British. It is part of former Italian Libya.—Associated Press.

Rice Rations A Success

Canton, December 27.
The authorities here are mapping out plans for the continuation of rice rationing for next year.

The rationing scheme has proved a tremendous success and may possibly have been one of the major reasons for the lack of any serious industrial troubles in Canton.

It estimated that some 48,000 tons of rice will be required for the period January-June, 1949. This estimate, however, depends on the Central China situation, as further deterioration may bring a tremendous influx of people into this Southern province.—Reuter.

Some went to meet higher living costs. These costs exceeded those of the past year with rice shortages, hoarding and profiteering driving food prices upward.

Despite these costs, luxury buying was great until the third quarter when all retail trade began tapering off.

Bank Loans

Pesos went to bank deposits or were invested in real estate.

Dr. Leon Gonzales, Director of the Bureau of Census and Statistics, reported co-operative and partnership investments are definitely on the down-grade.

United States capitalists failed to make large investments although the Philippine constitution permits them equally with Filipinos in developing natural resources. American businessmen generally said they feared slow progress of ultranationalism in the Philippines.

Bank loans had a downward trend. Placido Mapa, Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources urged banks toward more aggressive and active participation in rehabilitation finance.

These trends were disquieting but not detrimental in 1948, as economists fear they may be later if allowed to develop.

Sufficient capital was invested in rebuilding pre-war export industries to narrow the Philippine's unfavorable trade balance from January to November to 248,785,689 pesos. For the same

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Profits Reach A New High

Washington, December 27.
American production, national income and profits surged to historic crests in 1948, the Department of Commerce reports.

Value of all goods produced and services rendered was measured at about US\$233,000,000,000. Rising prices were partly responsible.

National income was estimated at US\$224,000,000,000. Corporation profits after taxes also set a new record, reaching a rate of US\$21,700,000,000 a year in the third quarter or 20 per cent above a year ago. Before deducting taxes, corporate income was US\$35,800,000,000.

The Department commented with caution on its profit figures, perhaps in view of speculation whether the new Democratic Party-controlled Congress will restore the excess profits tax twice urged by President Harry Truman.

Industrialists who have up-held high corporation earnings could draw some comfort from the Government reports which said:

"Although the absolute level of profits is currently far above other the pre-war period of 1929, the same is true of other national income shares. This includes payments to employees, it added.—Associated Press.

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NAVY LOSE TO ARMY XI; S. CHINA 'A' BEAT POLICE

The First Division soccer game between Royal Navy and Army at Causeway Bay yesterday afternoon proved to be a close affair, the soldiers gaining the decision by the only goal of the match.

At Caroline Hill, in a game which was far below First Division standard, South China "A" preserved their unbeaten record as the result of an easy victory over Police, whom they beat by four goals to one.

The Junior Shield re-play between Royal Navy and Club, which was played at Causeway Bay, resulted in an easy victory for the sailors by three goals to nil.

Royal Navy 0—Army 1

The small crowd which witnessed the match were treated to a fine display by both teams and the Navy being steadier in front of goal, they might have been better.

The game was played at a fast pace and both sides served up some attractive football. There was an absence of wild kicking and at times the ball went from one team to the other in steady pressure.

Halfway, who was injured in yesterday's match, was sorely missed at centre forward and in the second half Buck came into the centre.

The opening exchanges went to the Navy and they carried on attacking throughout the first half. The Army seemed slow, but maybe this was probably due to the way in which Tozer and Holloway collapsed.

Flintham, at centre half for the sailors, was a tower of strength and not only broke up many attacks but also carried the ball upfield.

Weatherall, the opposing pivot, came to the rescue on many occasions and it was his distribution of the ball that gave the Army their chance.

With 10 minutes of the first half to go, Army broke through and

Byrne collected a well placed pass and raced on to fire past the advancing Beer. In spite of this reverse the Navy continued to press and it was always on the cards that they might equalise.

The second period proved as attractive as the first and both sides strove for supremacy, as the Army could never be sure of their lead.

At the end of the match, a misunderstanding between Tozer and Beer caused a bad moment, but the ball was not away at the expense of a corner.

Cordell in the Army goal dived at the feet of Allen to gather a ball and received deserved applause.

In a last effort, Buck got well away and although he turned the ball very quickly he fired over.

The final whistle gave victory to the better side, which made use of their only goal.

Navy: Beer, Convery, Tozer, Rowlands, Flintham, Holloway, Wilson, Edge, Butcher, Allen, Buck.

Army: Cordell, Robinson, Nissen, Manson, Weatherall, Hughes, Brown, Anderson, Byrne, Marsden, Ramskill.

S. China "A" 4—Police 1

The Chinese were more methodical than their opponents and did most of the attacking.

Although the Police defenders showed up well, the forwards were so formidable and at no time impressed.

From the start, the Chinese assumed the offensive, but the robust tackling of the Police de-

enders prevented them from scoring.

On at least three occasions the Chinese should have taken the lead when their forwards broke through the Police defence.

With only the goal to beat, however, the forwards shot yards wide of the mark.

Much against the run of the play, Police took the lead when, following a scramble in the Chinese goal-mouth, the ball was bundled into the net.

This goal served to shake up the Chinese and within a minute they had gained the equaliser. To Kien-ho beating Tang Wing with a first goal was not.

There was no further scoring before half time.

The second half saw the Chinese continuing on the attack, with the Police forwards only getting away occasionally.

The Police were subjected to an almost continual bombardment, with the Chinese forwards doing everything but score.

After holding out for 15 minutes, the Police defence collapsed and the Chinese were able to score three times.

Through Chang Kung-ho and once through Chu Wing-keung, who netted from a penalty.

In the last minute of the game, the Chinese were awarded another penalty, but Tang Kung-chung, who took the spot kick, sided the ball.

S. China "A": Yu Yui-tak, Hui Yung-sang, Tse Kam-hung, Cheung Shu-ling, Soong Ling-shing, Lau Chung-sung, Pang King-cheung, Chu Wing-keung, Chang Kung-ho, Lai Shui-wing and Tse Kam-ho.

Police: Tang Wing, Ho Shing, Lui Wai, Gordon, Howlett, Leung Shing, Wong Ki-lun, Tam Yung-kan, Redman, Lau Pak-hung and Ng Yu-wai.

Home Football Results

London, December 27.

The following were the results of football matches played today:

FIRST DIVISION		THIRD DIVISION (SOUTHERN)	
Villa	5 Wolves	Brighton	2 Exeter
Bolton	0 Sheffield U.	Bristol C.	1 Alton
Derby	2 Arsenal	0 Newport	1
Huddersfield	1 Fulham	0 Ipswich	3 Walsall
Liverpool	0 Manchester U.	0 Orient	2 Port Vale
Manchester C.	0 Everton	0 Notts C.	2 Northampton
Middlesbrough	0 Sunderland	0 Southend	2 Norwich
Newcastle	1 Birmingham	0 Swansea	2 Reading
Preston	5 Chelsea	0 Swindon	2 Millwall
Preston	2 Charlton	0 Torquay	1 Bournemouth
Stoke	2 Burnley	0 Watford	0 Bristol R.
SECOND DIVISION		THIRD DIVISION (NORTHERN)	
Barnsley	2 Grimsby	0 Accrington	2 Doncaster
Cardiff	2 Brentford	0 Barrow	2 Southport
Cardiff	3 Lincoln	0 Bradford C.	2 Oldham
Coventry	2 Bury	0 Carlisle	0 Darlington
Fulham	2 Bradford	0 Chester	1 Crewe
Leeds	1 West Ham	0 Hartlepool	1 Gateshead
Plymouth	1 Luton	1 Mansfield	2 Wrexham
Queen's P.R.	4 Blackburn	2 Rochdale	2 Stockport
Sheff. W.	2 West Brom	1 Rotherham	0 Hull
Southampton	2 Notts F.	1 Truro	2 Halifax
Spurs	1 Leicester	1 York	2 New Brighton

FIRST DIVISION		THIRD DIVISION—SOUTHERN	
Arsenal	3 Derby	0 Aldershot	0 Bristol C.
Birmingham	3 Newcastle	0 Bournemouth	5 Torquay
Blackpool	0 Huddersfield	0 Exeter	1 Brighton
Burnley	1 Stoke	0 Exeter	1 Brighton
Charlton	0 Preston	0 Millwall	3 Swindon
Chelsea	0 Portsmouth	0 Newport	0 Palace
Derby	0 Manchester C.	0 Northampton	1 Notts C.
Manchester U.	0 Liverpool	0 Norwich	3 Southend
Sheff. U.	1 Bolton	1 Port Vale	3 Leyton
Sunderland	1 M'Gough	0 Reading	0 Swansea
Wolverhampton	4 Villa	0 Walsall	2 Ipswich
SECOND DIVISION		THIRD DIVISION—NORTHERN	
Blackburn	2 Queen's Park	0 Carlisle	0
Bradford	1 Elgin	0 Darlington	2
Cardiff	1 Cardiff	0 Doncaster	0
Bury	0 Coventry	0 Gateshead	0
Grimsby	3 Barnsley	0 Halifax	0
Leicester	1 Spurs	2 Hull	3 Rotherham
Luton	2 Chesterfield	2 New Brighton	3 York
Luton	3 Plymouth	1 Oldham	1 Bradford C.
Notts F.	2 Southampton	1 Southport	0 Rochdale
West Bromwich	1 Wednesday	0 Stockport	2
West Ham	3 Leeds	0	0

Britain Eliminates PI In Softball Tilt

(By "GRANDSTAND")

Great Britain eliminated Philippine Islands by a 13-12 nose-out, while China accounted for the Indians 20-0 in a three-inning game.

The Indians found the going too tough and refused to take the field after Umpire Doc Molten had called "play ball".

In the Ladies Section, Las Filipinas succumbed to the strong Portuguese ladies 18-4, while Great Britain triumphed over the Chinese 11-4, being qualified for the Finals when they will tangle with Portugal.

Great Britain was lucky to pull the game out of the fire in the final round with a back-to-the-wall rally that completely turned the tables on the Indians.

Fred Dineen, a three-plater with the bases loaded in the Philippine half of the seventh to highlight a five-run uprising, but the Lions retaliated with a ferocious slugging attack which was sparked by Dave Leonard's second "out-of-the-park" homer of the fracas.

Successive safeties blasted twirler Bias Despa off the rubber slab, and Alf Mallig was called in to put out the fire, but it was too late.

Both hurlers, Jack Brown for the victors and Bias Despa for the losers, fanned two each, but the British side won 9 blows, Despa was nicked for 13 safeties, which included several extra-base hits.

The Lions scored in the first round with a pair of fullies, but the Philippines soon caught up in the second frame with three runs.

Taking advantage of another erratic spell, the Philippine Islanders piled on four more runs to take the lead.

The Brits then slimmed the margin run by run for the next few chapters and managed to tie the count eight-all at the end of the sixth inning.

New Lease
With the closing stanza coming up, the Islanders had a new lease on life with a five-run plurge and the game seemed to be in the bag; but the indomitable spirit of the British Lions triumphed in the end as Dave Leonard set the ball rolling.

Philippine hurler Bias Despa was banished from the mound after Sid Hollandia had crossed the plate with the tying run. Blimby Abiong connected relief twirler Alf Mallig for a roller and pliffed second, while Eric Guest pinch-hitting for Hall Winkles whorled Abiong to third with the potential winning run.

Ignor Erikson up for his fifth batting turn for the morning scorched the grass-tops at the hot-corner and Abiong brought the bacon home.

In the other men's elimination tilt, China massacred India 20-0

Brilliant Bowling Leads Army To Win Over HKCC

A brilliant spell of bowling by A. Stepto enabled Army to beat Hong Kong Cricket Club by nine wickets in a Triangular Tournament Cricket match at Chater Road yesterday.

Batting first, HKCC were all out for a meagre 67 runs, O. J. Kerr (21) and T. A. Pearce (23) being the only batsmen to stand up to the Army bowling.

Stepto sent eight of the HKCC batsmen back to the Pavilion for 16 runs, Banton took two for 20.

Army had little difficulty in passing the HKCC total and went on to score 180 for eight. Jones (41), Banton (44) and Wilson (41) showed little respect for the HKCC bowling and scored freely round the wicket.

T. A. Pearce returned the best bowling figures for HKCC, capturing five wickets for 37 runs.

HKCC
L. F. Stokes, b Stepto 21
O. J. Kerr, c Banton, b Stepto 23
T. A. Pearce, c Murray-Brown, b Stepto 23
N. Oliver, c Burton, b Stepto 0
H. Owen-Hughes, b Stepto 0
R. W. Franklin, b Stepto 0
D. H. Leach, c Barratt, b Stepto 0
K. Millar, c French-Blake, b Banton 0
D. McLeish, c and b Stepto 0
T. P. Mahon, b Banton 0
E. F. Gee, not out 9
Extras 9
Total 67

Bowling Analysis
A. Stepto 10 3 10 8
Jones 8 0 22 0
Banton 4 1 20 2

ARMY
H. G. McLeish, b Mahon 14
Jones, c Kerr, b Pearce 41
Banton, lbw, b Pearce 41
Burton, b Pearce 41
Wilson, c Millar, b Pearce 41
F. Blake, c Owen-Hughes, b Barratt, not out 2
Barratt, b Pearce 4
Murray-Brown, c Millar, b Owen-Hughes 9
Owen-Hughes 29
Extras 9
Total for 8 wickets 180
(Stepto and Phillips did not bat)

Bowling Analysis
O M R W
A. Stepto 10 3 10 8
Jones 8 0 22 0
Banton 4 1 20 2

Silver Jubilee
The Silver Jubilee Cricket match between the European Staff and the Local Staff of the Hong Kong Electric Company Limited at Sookunpo on Sunday, ended in a draw.

Mr. A. G. Langston, Manager of the Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd., and Mrs. Langston, were interested spectators throughout.

Batting first, the European Staff knocked up 154 for nine declared, to which A. G. Gardner and R. de Rome, the opening batsmen, contributed 50 and 80 respectively.

A. R. Minu was the most successful bowler for the Local Staff, taking four wickets at the sacrifice of only 22 runs.

At the close of play, the Local Staff had 113 for eight. M. I. Razack (29) and S. H. Khan (30), top-score for the Local Staff.

W. Stoker took four wickets for three runs and R. de Rome two for 18.

EUROPEAN STAFF
A. G. Gardner, c R. A. Bux, b A. R. Minu 80
R. de Rome, b A. R. Minu 80
T. Dyer, b A. R. Minu 0
W. Stoker, b M. B. Hassan 4
J. Rosecoe, b Haroon 7
T. E. Boycott, b A. R. Minu 0
E. Thompson, c M. B. Hassan, b W. B. Smith, not out 5
W. B. Smith, c U. A. Rumjahn, b M. I. Razack, not out 0
M. I. Razack, c R. A. Bux, b M. B. Hassan 29
Extras 2
Total for 9 wickets declared 154
J. K. Sloan did not bat.

Bowling Analysis
O M R W
J. K. Sloan 8 0 28 8
M. B. Hassan 6 1 22 2
S. A. R. Bux 2 0 8 0
S. H. Khan 3 0 14 0
M. I. Razack 3 1 29 0
U. A. Rumjahn 2 0 29 0
A. R. Minu 3 0 22 4

LOCAL STAFF
M. I. Razack, run out 29
S. H. Khan, b Rosecoe, b de Rome 30
R. de Rome, c Rosecoe, b de Rome 11
M. B. Hassan, c Dyer, b Stoker 16
A. R. Minu, not out 0
C. M. Butt, b Stoker 0
U. A. Rumjahn, b Stoker 0
S. A. R. Bux, c Sloan, b Dyer 0
S. M. Rumjahn, not out 9
Extras 9
Total for 8 wickets 113

Bowling Analysis
O M R W
J. K. Sloan 8 0 28 8
E. Thompson 4 0 30 0
R. de Rome 4 0 10 2
J. Rosecoe 8 0 31 1
A. G. Gardner 2 0 12 0
W. Stoker 4 2 3 4
T. Dyer 1 0 3 1

REFEREES' MEETING
The fortnightly meeting of the Hong Kong Football Referees' Association will, by kind permission, be held at the HKFA Offices, Prince's Building, 2nd floor, at 8.30 p.m. tomorrow.

All members, associates and others interested are cordially invited to attend.

Agenda.
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2. To discuss and devise ways and means of protecting the rights and interests of football referees.
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Agenda.
1. To read and confirm minutes of the previous meeting.
2. To discuss and devise ways and means of protecting the rights and interests of football referees.
3. To discuss Laws of the Game (Knotty problems).
4. Any other business.

England Score 85 Runs For No Wickets

Johannesburg, December 27.
England, already one up in the series, made a good start by scoring 85 runs for no wickets before lunch today in the first innings of the second cricket Test against South Africa.

Hutton, who scored 51 not out, mainly with powerful off-drives and leg hits, and Washbrook (33 not out), accomplished good work by carrying England through the first hour when the wicket, covered with more grass than usual, was expected to be difficult. They were more subdued when Allan Rowan struck a good length with his off-spinner.

The crowd of more than 30,000 applauded Hutton's entertaining 85, scored out of 82, in 97 minutes. The opening pair were still together at the luncheon interval, having batted 105 minutes without offering a chance.

ENGLAND 1ST INNINGS
Hutton, not out 51
Washbrook, not out 33
Extras 1
Total (for no wickets) 85

The teams were South Africa: Eric Rowan, C. W. M. Mitchell, A. D. Nourse, W. Wade, D. Beale, O. C. Dawson, A. Rowan, C. Tuckett, N. Mann and C. McCarthy.

England:—L. Hutton, W. Washbrook, Ian Watkins, D. Coople, J. Crapp, F. G. Mann, T. G. Evans, R. Jenkins, A. V. Bedser, C. Gladwin and D. V. P. Wright.

CHILDREN'S SPORTS AT RECREIO
The Club de Recreio held their annual Children's Sports on Boxing Day at their sports ground at King's Park.

The meeting was well attended by the local Portuguese community and thoroughly enjoyed. The programme provided events and fun for old and young alike and tea was served, arranged by the lady subscribers of the club.

Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, President of the Club, thanked the members upon whose support the success of the afternoon is credited.

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England Trounce Portuguese, 6-1

Giving a brilliant all-round display of top grade soccer, England beat Portugal by six goals to one on the Club Ground on Sunday in the First Round of the International Charity Cup Competition.

England's victory was all the more meritorious in view of the fact that they were, for the greater part of the game, playing with only 10 men.

Rafferty, leader of the English attack, received a serious injury early in the first half and on leaving the field, was immediately rushed to hospital.

England will now meet China in the Final Round, which will be played on Sunday, April 10, 1949.

Cordell, the English custodian, had a comparatively easy time between the sticks, as the Portuguese forwards were given only a limited number of chances to get within shooting distance.

Hughes and Tozer were a round pair of backs whose work was beyond reproach.

Porro, as centre-half, played his usual line spilling goals into his flanks, Robinson and Holloway more than held their own against the Portuguese wingers, who were rarely seen to advance.

In addition to their excellent defensive work, the English intermediate line was superb in the daylight by setting the English forwards in motion with passes which seldom went astray.

The English forwards gave a rousing display and their speed on the ball was a delight to watch. Up to the time of his injury, Rafferty proved himself to be an admirable leader. His speed was always a menace to the Portuguese defence and it was only the brilliant goal-keeping of the Portuguese goalie which prevented him from scoring on at least two occasions.

Tricky Marsden
Probably the best forward on view was Marsden, who speed and tricky play contributed much towards the success of the English team. Kiernan, also gave an outstanding performance and together with Marsden, gave the Portuguese defence a hectic afternoon.

Brown and Ramskill, the English wingers were much too good for the Portuguese defence. They were always dangerous when in possession. Brown, however, was inclined to be erratic in his shooting at times and in consequence, wasted several good scoring chances.

Silva, the Portuguese goalie, gave a first class exhibition and fully justified his inclusion in the

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

INTERNATIONAL CHARITY CUP COMPETITION
FIRST ROUND
Portugal 1 England 6
S. China "A" 4 Police 1
Royal Navy 0 Army 1

JUNIOR SHIELD RE-PLAY
Royal Navy 3 Club 0
SECOND DIVISION
Kit Ches 1 Dacryard 1
South China 2 Army HK 0
Taikoo 2 Police 1

FRIENDLY MATCH
K. Motor Bus 5 Chinese A.A. 1

one of the English defenders nodded the ball towards his own goal with Cordell out of his charge. As the ball rolled to wards the goal, Cordell dived and grasped it just before it crossed the goal line.

Before half time, England scored two further goals, through Brown, each of which was the result of splendid scheming.

On resumption, the Portuguese attack showed more fight and followed a corner, N. Xavier netted to reduce England's lead.

This success was short-lived, however, as the English forwards struck back with a vengeance and, following a neat bout of passing, the ball was tapped to Ramskill who, taking it on the run, sent it from about 30 yards out a beautiful cross shot which curved into the far corner of the net with Silva well and truly beaten.

The English forwards continued to dominate the exchanges and Kiernan, who had been playing a grand game came into his own when, after beating three defenders, he scored with a powerful drive to the top of the net.

The Portuguese continued to fight back gamely, but the pace of the game began to tell and in the closing stages they were forced to concede another goal, Marsden being the scorer.

The final whistle came with England worthy winners by six goals to one.

Portugal: Silva, Rocha, Collaco, Castilho, A. Xavier, A. Santos, M. Xavier, T. Castilho, Pereira, C. Santos and N. Xavier.

England: Cordell (Army), Hughes (Army), Tozer (Navy), Robinson (Army), Forrow (Club), Holloway (Navy), Brown (Army), Marsden (Army), Rafferty (Navy), Kiernan (Club) and Ramskill (Army).

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